Women's Mite Missionary Society
Of The Indiana Conference
African Methodist Episcopal Church

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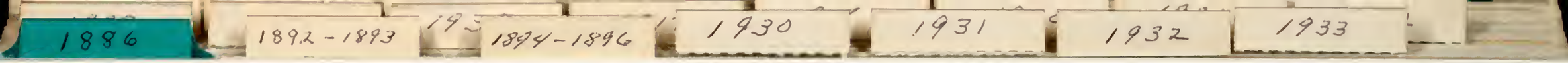
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The first organization of the woman's Miss'l Missionary Society of the Indiana Annual Conference was by Mrs G.A. Ratliffe.

The first council met in her home, in the city of Kingsland Ind Aug. 19 1886.

There were three persons that composed this council. namely Rev. Morris Lewis, P.E. Rev. L.O. Ratliffe and Mrs. G.A. Ratliffe. After discussing a plan for organization, the council adjourned to meet in the A.M.E. Church, at Cambridge City Ind. Aug 14. 1886 Rev. A. Mason, pastor in charge.

At the meeting held in Cambridge City, we effected a temporary organization The house was called to order by Rev. Morris Lewis P.E. who conducted the religious services. The following persons were present, Rev. Morris Lewis, Rev. L.O. Ratliffe, Rev. A. Mason, Rev. C.M. Townsend D.D. general secretary of missions, Mrs G.A. Ratliffe, Mrs A. Mason, Mrs C.M. Townsend and Mrs Johny Wilson.

On motion by Rev. Morris Lewis, Mrs L.O. Ratliffe was elected Temporary President and at the Annual Conference which was held in the A.M.E. Church at Lawrence Sept 8th. It was confirmed by the annual Conference and Mrs G.A. Ratliffe continued in office for [illegible] more or [illegible]

The Right Rev. J.P. Campbell D.D. Presiding Bishop [illegible]

Rev. and Mrs Ratliffe were [illegible] from [illegible] to Mt Vernon where [illegible]

for [illegible] years. The second council was held in Aug. 1887 in the A.M.E. Church Princeton Ind. Rev. Johnson Mitchem Pastor in Charge at the council.
The ladies of the council became awake to the spirit of missions as never before which will show for itself by the following To the Indiana Annual Conference Presented to the conference by Rev. Johnson Mitchem Petitions to the conference. Bishop Campbell presiding.
The Petition was as follows =
We the ladies and member of the 4th Presiding Elder District of the Indiana Annual Conference "Hereby Pray your Honorable body to grant us the privilege of organizing and laboring Cooperation with the ministers and Superintendents of the Church of this District for the building and furtherance of our missionary work in the name of the State of Indiana to be known as the Indiana Foreign Missions.
Signed Mrs. G.A. Ratliffe President Mt Vernon Ind. E.J. Mitchem Vice President. Princeton Ind. E. Prator Treas. Princeton Ind. M.C. Parker Secretary Mt Vernon Ind and Mrs [illegible] Bland Asst. Secretary of Mt Vernon Ind.
S.C. Anderson [illegible] Evansville Ind. Miss E. Bland delegate from Mt Vernon.
The petition was indorsed by Presiding Elder Johnson Mitchem at the conference and the report was discussed with great spirit and zeal by Rev. M. Townsend, Rev. A.T. Roberts and Rev. [illegible] Lewis, [illegible] whom Rev T. C. Wilson offered the following resolutions.
Resolved— That this conference endorse the Missionary enterprise of the Ladies of the

4th District and accept their proposition to organize the missionary work of the Indiana.

So as to be able to organize a work in Africa to be known as the Indiana Missions, and to be supported by the Mission workers of the Indiana.

Pending the adoption of the Resolutions Bishop Campbell made a short speech touching on the great cause of Missions and the actions of the Noble Ladies who had sent up the petitions. Rev. T. E. Wilson moved as an amendment to the Resolutions That a committee of three be appointed to express suitable resolutions to send to the ladies in council at Princeton Ind.

Rev. [illegible] Bentis moved as an amendment to the amendment that all moneys raised by the ladies for special missions in Africa be remitted to the Financial Secretary of the Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the A.M.E. Church. The amendment to the amendment was carried and sustained.

Then the original resolutions was taken with the amendments and adopted as a whole. Bishop Campbell appointed the following committee to draft suitable resolutions to send to the ladies of the 4th District. Committee Rev. T. E. Wilson Rev. [illegible] Clay and Rev. [illegible] Robertson [illegible] Princeton Council. We adjourned to meet in Alexander Chapel A.M.E. Church Evansville in [illegible] 1888. Rev. [illegible] Thompson Pastor in charge.

[illegible] 1887 I held my third annual Council in the A.M.E. Church at Washington Rev. R. [illegible] McDaniel Pastor in charge. [illegible] was a [illegible] delightful meeting.

the good people of Washington, [illegible] opened their doors to welcome us and took off their door latches and [illegible] [illegible] to their homes and to their city.

At the [illegible] [illegible] in Washington, Committee of five were appointed to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as [illegible] for our missionary work in the State of [illegible]. Committee Rev. [illegible] [illegible] P.E. Mrs. M. E. Anderson of [illegible], Mrs. G. [illegible] Ratliff [illegible] [illegible] Blan[illegible].

The good Pastor and people made our short stay with them pleasant.

We were invited to hold our missionary convention in the A.M.E. Church at [illegible], Rev. F. [illegible] [illegible] Pastor in charge. Rev. [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] were very anxious to assist in carrying on the work.

My 1st convention was held in the A.M.E. Church at Muncie July 1892. Rev. W. H. Stewart B. D. Pastor in charge. I have this to say of Muncie, the people are plesant no one need not fear to visit the city of Muncie. They will make you glad when you come, and you will feel very sorry when the time comes for you to leave.

My 2nd convention was held on the Camp Meeting Grounds at Logansport, July 1893. Rev. L. H. Ratliffe Pastor in charge. In connection with the [illegible] [illegible] we held a Missionary Camp-meeting assisted by the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the A.M.E. Church. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] was well paid for their trouble.

Rev. [illegible] M. [illegible] [illegible] of Richmond [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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was preaching a missionary sermon.
At [illegible] years of age young [illegible] was licensed to preach [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible].

My husband while Pastor at Franklin succeeded in building a foundation for a new church at the cost of [illegible]. He paid every dollar of it by hard labor and left $[illegible].00 in the bank.
Then Rev. E. B. Ferdinand was sent Franklin in 1895 during two years in this charge to be arranged to complete the building.

The [illegible] Annual Conference was held in Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church Terre Haute, Rev. S. R. Ratliffe Pastor in charge. This was my crowning year of my 16 years work as President of the Womans Mite Missionary Society of the State of Indiana.

We closed this conference and met the Indiana Annual Conference at Muncie Sept. 1896. At this conference Bishop B. T. Arnett [illegible] Indiana Conference [illegible] for the State.

After making my annual report for years ending Sept 16, 1896. Bishop Arnett rose and called our attention to the fact that two Missionary Society's could not exist in the National Conference. Therefore the Two must become one. Bishop then appointed a committee of five ministers to draft suitable resolutions uniting the Mite Missionary Society, the Home Missionary into a conference. Womans Home and Foreign Missionary Society the name.

taken by the Annual Conference closed the work of the Mite Missionary Society. This closed [illegible] long years of my life, labor and sacrifice in the work of my blessed Master. At this conference I was made the first vice President of the Conference Branch Woman's Mite Missionary Society and remained in that office [illegible] years, [illegible] as chairman of the Executive Board which office I held for 1 year. During my 12 or 13 years a member of the Annual Conference Branch Woman's H. M. Society, I have been honored at different times, as Vice President, Chairman of Committees, and at other times as a member on committee. Ten years of my early missionary life was spent under the administration of the Right Rev. [illegible] M. Brown D.D., LL.D., and Right Rev. D. A. Payne D.D., and Right Rev. J. P. Campbell. All three of [illegible] have [illegible] me [illegible] [illegible] of God.

Those to whom I served under as Presiding Elders during the 10 years of struggle, Toil and Sacrifice. Rev. [illegible] Lewis, Rev. Johnson [illegible], Rev. [illegible] Thompson, Rev. [illegible] Bass, Rev. J. Bundy, Rev. [illegible] Smith. The six Presiding Elders who were with me and assisted me in the early development of the missionary work in the State of Indiana. [illegible] of them have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] during my 10 years for all purposes as follows:

For Missionary	$64.31
" [illegible] work	[illegible]
Total	$[illegible].39

November 2, 1895 I was sent as the first delegate from Indiana to Philadelphia to represent the Indiana Missionary work of Indiana to the Parent Mite Missionary Society 21st Anniversary of that body.

During my stay in the city of Philadelphia I was guest of Right Rev. and Mrs Bishop B. T. Tanner.

$146.31 were forwarded yearly to the Treas. Rev. Bishop [illegible] of the Parent [illegible] of the A.M.E. Church connection.

The $254.00 were raised in the local churches through the states.

Respectfully

Yours in Christ,

Mrs G. A. Rattliffe

P.O. Box 3 [illegible]

Rockville Ind.

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Committees appointed to serve during Convention

Finance
E. F. Hyte
Sarah Releford
Kathryn Samuels
Leota Snowden
Lyda Craven
Julia Jefferson
Gennett Lee.

Nominating
Elssie Bailey
Hazel Dunigan
Elssie Stew
Laura Coleman
Pauline Goins
Maggie Baker
Hazel Duncan.

Resolution
Mrs Chavis
Cecelia Weaver
Nevada Pate
Lula Gentry
Arthella Moorman
James Lynch
Juanita Shannon
Leda Lee

Memorial
Mary Johnson
Josephine Bass.
Ethel Hyte
Bennie Edwards
Kate Hardy
Bernice Williams
Mary Bryant.

Pages.
Walter Bailey
Elizabeth Kelly
Kathryn Avery
Leota Snowden
Jessy Tanny
Marian Poorman

Courtesy
Hannah Richards
Ethel Mae Reed.
Geneva Henry
Narcissis Holt
Hazel Hawkins

Pay roll.

Roll Call of Club Officers
2nd part of 2nd.

Pres.	Miss.	G. E. Hill
1st. Vice	"	" Ada Shannon
2nd. "	"	" Maggie Estes
Cor. Sec. & Lib.	"	" Kathryn Simmons
Recording "	"	" Lula Norman
Treasurer	"	" Jessie Heinz
	"	" Sarah Culberson
Statistician	Miss	Millie Hoffman
Parliamentarian	Mrs.	Ethel Hyte
	"	
Chaplain	"	Frances Nichols
Ex. Bd.	"	Effie Sales
	"	Lyda Craven
	"	Julia Jefferson
	"	Mrs. M. Bailey
	"	Lola Arnold
Chairman Dept.	"	Flossie Bailey
Mothers	"	" Nettie Gibson
Art.	"	Miss. Nevell Lee
Civic	"	Mrs. Ethel Henry
M. Bees	"	" Mamie Mitchum
Education -	N. D. -	Mrs. Hazel Dugan
"	- S. D. -	" Sarah C. Culberson

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Roll call by Districts

Northern District		
Allen Chapel, Londpls.	226.00	
St. John "	60 00	
" Paul "		
Richmond	77.06	
Kokomo	35.00	
Bethel Marion		
Allen Temple Marion	16.75	
Bethel, Muncie	101.06	
Schaffer Chapel, Muncie	15.00	
Anderson		
Lafayette		
Crawfordsville		
Noblesville	21.85	
New-Castle		
Frankfort	4.00	
Lebanon		
Peru		
Fountain City		
Portland		
Connersville	7.00	
Hills Chapel		
Carthage	13.00	
Logansport	5.00	652.22
Southern District		
Bethel Indpls		
Crispin Chapel Indpls		
Evansville	20.00	
Allen Chapel Terre Haute	41.00	
Spruce St. " "	40 80	
French Lick	11 50	
New Albany	10 00	
Bloomington		
Jeffersonville		
Mt. Lemon		
Princeton		
Lyles.		
Frankfort	20.00	
Washington		

Charleston
Croydon
Dublin
Rockville
Seymour
Plainfield
Orland
Fairmount

2.00

Indianapolis Ind. June 12th - 1930.

Committee appointed to serve during Convention

Finance
Ethel Hyte.
Teressa Heines.
Kathryn Samuels
Goldie Madey
Pauline Goens
Cecelia Deaver
Allie Moss
Resolution
Helen Howard
Ada Lee.
Josie Milton
Ida Hackley
Bernice Hughes
Bernice Williams
Laura Coleman
Jessie Fanning
Emma Mitchell
Courtesy
Flossie Hair
Helen Scott
Genera Henry
Edna Irvin
Rena Howard
Geraldine Evans
Revel Roberts

Memorial
Leora Chavers
Anna Coleman
Stella Brown
Jessie Fanning
Frances Martin
Narcissa Holt
Nora Richman
Angeline Giles.
Johnnie Edwards
Pages.
Bertie Higgins
Vera Young
Addie Martin
Ethel Mae Reed
Ruby Williams
Tibsuh Tyson
Walter Bailey.
Credentials
Lula Smith
Ines. Benson
Allie Chetum
Lena Ramey
Hazel Myers
Susie Lyson
Mattie Smith

Roll call of State Officers.

Indianapolis. June 14. 1930

Pres.		Mrs. S. B. Hill
	1st. Vice	" Mamie Mitcham
	2nd. Vice	" Maggie Baker.
Cor.	Secty.	" Kathryn Samuels
Rec.	"	" Lula Moorman
Treas.		" Teressa Heinz.
Statis.		" Millie Huffman
Parli.		" Ethel Hyte
Chaplain		" Hannah Nichols

Ex Board. Mrs. Effie Bass.
" Lydia Craven
" Minnie Bailey
" Lerta Snoddy
" Julia Jefferson

Chr. of Dept.	Mrs.	Flossie Bailey	Young People
	"	Nettie Gibson	Mothers
	"	Helen Howard	Mite Boxes
	"	Flossie Keir	Art
	"	Ethel Henry	Civic

Education

Mrs.	Hazel Dugan	Nothern District
"	Sarah Riley ford	Southern District

Indianapolis Ind. June 12 - 1930

The Ex Board met on the above date. Mrs. G. B. Hill State Pres. presiding. The meeting was opened by singing "My faith looks up to thee" prayer + reading 54th Psa by Chaplain Sis. Nichols singing "Brightly beams our fathers mercy" Pres. spoke of God's goodness to us and referred to the illness of Mrs. Lizzie Evans she also spoke of illness of Miss Iswell Lee of Noblesville, Ind. she said if ever in time we should get to gather it is now trusting God for strength and guidance each day success would be ours many things for the good of our Convention was spoken of. The Educational money for North and Southern District was spoken of also of the Mite Boxes also Civic Dept. mothers + etc. she said we are living in a progressive age and should give God the praise for preserving our lives and making us helpful to others she also instructed us to "lift them up" no matter no how low don't let them down lift them up. Dues money was spoken of Mrs Bass ask information about money the young people had on hand it was decided they keep the money. Co. Secty suggested we send Greetings to A. M. E. Zion Convention Consent.

The meeting was spiritual, interesting and full of good information

Mrs. G. B. Hill Pres.
Lula Norman. Rec. Secty.

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Thursday Morning.

The thirty second session of the Ind. Conference Branch of the Womens Mite Missionary Society convened at Bethel Church with Mrs. Julia Jefferson local Pres. and Dr. R. L. Pope Pastor. In the afternoon the Ex. Board held it session and after registration the Young people Chaperoned by Mrs. Chavers, Hendy & others enjoyed a hike and a wiener roast at the home of Mrs. Ethel Reed.

Night Session.

A reception was given by the local society for the delegates. The following Program was rendered.

Opening selection	——	Choir
Invocation		Rev. Jackson
Selection		Choir
Address	Behalf. Mary C. M.M.S.	Mrs. Jefferson Local Pres.
Welcome	" Allen Stars. Juv. Dept.	Miss I. Martin
Quartette	3 selections. -	Ladies Baptist Church.
Harmonica Duett		Allen Brothers.
Greeting from the Citizens		Prof. R. Lane
" " "		Federated Clubs Mrs. Carrie Crumpe
Response by Mrs. Hazel Dugan		Chr. Education N. D.

After announcements by our State Pres. we were invited down stairs and fared sumptuously on the sweets that awaited us.

Friday Morning June 13 - 1930

Devotionals led by Mrs. Nichols (Chaplain) and Mrs. Mattie Smith a number of stirring gospel songs were sung and the spiritual tide was high. The Pres. Mrs. G. B. Hill introduced Rev. C. D. Upthegrove to preside over the Communion service. Mrs. Leota Snorden Chairman of Program Committee presented the programs (printed) by Mrs. Lee Cransville. Rev. Upthegrove was assisted by Rev's Opening hymn "And are we yet alive" lined by Rev. Adams prayer Rev. D. A. Graham Music (Choir) I know a great Saviour, Scripture reading Acts 2. - 1 - 18 Rev. Craven Choir Solo & Chr. led by Mrs. Crump "Somebody knows" Dec. Rev. A. J. Irvin Choir "Must Jesus bear the Cross alone." P. C. Rev. Upthegrove said he was delighted to be with us and referred to the beautiful life of our Pres. he indorsed clean & pure living and was proud of the Women of Indiana

The solo "I am Coming home" Miss Lee Cransville filled us with the spirit and prepared us for the wonderful sermon that followed. Rev. C. D. Watkins was introduced & took for his text 2nd Sam. this man of God forget self and the wonderful words coming from his heart thrilled us with joy. Holy Communion Conducted by P. C. & Ministers a large number communed. Announcement Committees, read. Quiet hour Mrs Lucille Lewis St. John Indps. prefaced by Mrs. Leota Snorden singing "I love the Lord" The Paper read by Mrs Lewis was appreciated by all.

Adjourned.

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Friday Afternoon.

Mrs. Maggie Baker 2nd Vice Presiding
Devotionals led by Mrs. Nichols & Mrs. Smith
Choir sang. "Since Jesus Came into my heart"
Scripture reading 101 Psa. by prayer Mrs
Nichols. Song. I love to tell the Story.
Paper. Who is my Neighbor? Delegate Mount
Allen Chapel Indpls. & General discussion
papers were carefully prepared and well
read. — Sang. "The Old rugged Cross."
Reports by Districts followed. S.D. $32.50 N.D. 650.22
Young people also made their report at
this time — Offering $4.00
(all reports not in)
Solo Mrs. Scott. Paper. The Importance of Bible
Study & Missionary Workers. Discussion opened
by Noblesville delegate. General discussion
Introductions Revs. Irvin, Craven, Jackson,
Bullock, Smith, Mitchell, Benson, Adams
C.S. Williams Giles, Mrs. Price, Wright, Johnson
Henderson, Dunn Sweat.
Mothers hour was conducted by Mrs.
Gibson She Leader ask all to stand and sing
Mothers prayer led by Mrs. Snowden this
very impressive service will long be remem-
bered. At the Close she read her report.
S.D. $9.00 N.D. $48.00
Paper — What abuses of Child life do we still
see to day that Jesus would Condemn? Talk
by Mrs. Armstead one of City teachers was interesting
pointed & well delivered.
Adjourned.

Night Session Mrs. Mitcham Presiding
Devotionals . . Chaplain Mrs. Nichols & Smith.
Music Missionary Choir Silent meditation
"Sweet hour of prayer" Scripture reading Rev. Jones
Music Convention Choir
The Pres. Mrs. G.B. Hill was introduced

and delivered her Annual message
this message of love inspired us as all
sat drinking in from this Woman of God we
realized we had a leader in deed she brought
to us the real things of life she was at her
best and the story so effectively told of the little boy
and girl "holding on" makes us more determined
to hold on till God says come home.
Solo "His eyes is on the Sparrow" Mrs. Snowden
Dr. Graham was introduced and took us on a
trip to Africa. very intresting – Offering 5.30.
Adjourned.
Saturday June 14th 8.30 – A. M.
Mrs. Flossie Bailey Presiding.
Song service Y. P. Choir Miss Henry & Piano
Prayer Mrs. Mitcham Scripture 13 – 2nd Cor.
Song Give of your best to the Master
Talks on the years work by the Young people
Mrs. Chavers spoke of her Juvanile Dept.
Introductions Dr. Wallace P. E. N. D. Mr Jefferson
Dr spoke complimenting our work. he also brought
greetings from Mrs. Wallace. Dr. Crane was
also introduced Mrs Shannan was with us
and at this time spoke of the pleasure it gave
her to visit the ones she really loved and had
labored with Greetings from Mrs. Handy read by
Cor. Secty. stating she was ill.. Pres. ask we stand
with bowed heads in silent prayer for our own
Mother Handy. her favorite song by the S. S.
Shannon, Samuels & Snowden read the hour
more pathetic Paper – Prayer revealed in daily life.
Bethel Indgs + Marion. Repat of M. boxes Mrs Mitcham
" " Circ " Henry
" " N. D. " Dugan
" " S. D. " Releford
Music Paper Has the Church awakened to her Missionary
duties in foreign fields Mrs. ~~H.C.~~ Carney Mrs. Bailey read
a poem closing remarks Mrs Giles topic very intesting
Sold Christian Experience – Mrs. Scott. Adjourned.

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Saturday 12. P. M. Mrs. Bailey Snorden.

Yung Peoples. Program
Welcome address Miss Bernice Williams
Solo " Loraine Hanna
Reading (After the honeymoon) " Gene Henry
Vocal Solo " Hazel Hawkins
Inst. Solo. " Cecelia Stearer
Duett " Rena Howard & Bessie Young.
Reading " Ruby Smith
Quartette Bethel delegates
Model Missionary Society Parliamentarian Mrs. Hyter
Young people's Play at night.

Saturday 2 P.M. Mrs. Flossie Bailey Chairman
Report of Departments
" " Statistician
" " Cor. Secty
" " Treasurer
" " Nominating Com.
" " Art.
Election

Sunday June 15th Memorial Services.
Opening song & prayer by Chaplain Mrs. Nichols
Impressive services was conducted by Mrs. Chavers.
song Lead kindly light scripture reading from memory.

List of those passed on

	Anna	Tompkins	Franklin
Infant of	Mr + Mrs.	Manning	Evansville
	Eliza	Carter	Evansville
Ada	Taylor	wife of Rev. A. E. Taylor	Muncie
	Amanda	Lewis	Muncie
	Julia	Craft	Allen Chapel Indpls.
	Ada	Goens	Bethel "
	Mila	Sims	" "
	Ellen	Lewis	" "
	Sarah	Hayward	New Castle
	Mary	Pierce	"
	Mary	Edwards	Anderson

Bissie Evans. Bloomington
Mary Nichols wife Rev. Nichols. Bloomington
Florence M. Grant Lafayette
Solo Mrs. Effie. Bass.

Sunday 11 am Regular service opened by Pastor Dr R.L. Pope. After devotionals Mrs Ethel Hyter Terre Haute gave us a beautiful Solo Morning message was delivered by Dr Mary Evans we were lifted heavenward with both sermon and songs from this wonderful Christ 3:00 P.M. Young peoples Mass meeting was beyond the average The following was the order of service Sng. I know a great Savior.
Prayer Rev. Benson
Scripture 9th Chap. Matt. Rev. D.A. Graham.
Song Shine
Pres. Mrs. Hill introduced Rev. Hardrick Noblesville to preach this sermon As a favor he ask us to sing with him "The Cares" his text 9th Matt. 30 Verse. Subject Christian Missionary. 1st. Qualification, Conversion or Change of heart, Shinning personality, Aim for service Crying need for Missionary work, with his practical illustrations this sermon should forever live in our hearts Song Jesus Calls us. Offering M. & Afternoon $18.71
Report in Resolutions read and recived.

Election

Rule was suspended and the first ten persons were elected by acclamation (see roll) Rev. A.J. Grimes Allen Chapel installed.
Place of meeting Muncie, Richmond, Anderson were voted upon Anderson receiving the most votes the Convention adjourned to hold its thirty third session. June 18, 19, 20, 21

Sub a Mourning Society
Mrs. G. B. Hill, Pres.

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Committees Appointed & serve during Convention

Finance.
Mrs. Samuels.
" Gibson
" Relyford
" Chavers
" McCullough

Special. Com.
Mrs. Lerta Snowden
Mamie Mitcham
Susie Dyson
35th. st. Delegate Mrs. Starks.
Helen Howard
Jessie Williams

Credentials
Laura Coleman
Alice McCreary
Alva Fanning
Josie Milton
Bernice Williams
Nita Dixon.

Nominating
Mamie Carlisle
Ada Lee
Emma Harris
Cora Clark
Lelitia Randolph
Maggie Baker
Cecilia Hearel.

Memorial
Flossie Bailey
Narcissus Holt.
Flora Moss
Lyda Craven
Ethel Henry
Levada Pate.
Mary Cummings.

Resolutions
Julia Jefferson
Frances Martin
Howard Weaver
Jessie Fanning
Katie Daniels
Rema Howard.

Pages.
Ethel Mae Reid
Constance Puke.
Lorraine Hannon
Pauline Keirs.

Ushers.
William Howard.
Florence Madison

Introduction of Visitors
Mrs. Washington

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Roll call of State Officers 1932

Pres.	Mrs.	G. B. Hill,	"Indpls."
1st V. Pres.	"	Mamie Mitcham,	Terre Haute
2nd "	"	Hazel Dunnigan	Kokomo
Cor. Secty.	"	Kathryn Samuels	Indpls.
Rec. "	"	Lula Moorman	Franklin
Treas.	"	Tressa Heinz	Indpls.
Chaplain	"	Hannah Nichols	"
Parliamentarian	Mrs.	Nettie Gibson	"
Statistician	"	Julia Jeffers	"

Executive Board

Mrs. Leota Smedley, Mrs. Ada Lee, Mrs. Lida Craven,
Mrs. Leora Chavis, Mrs Lena Ramey.

Honorary Members of Executive Board

Mrs. Emma Duffy, Mrs. Ellen Williams, Mrs. Susie Dysart, Mrs. Mary E. Beck, Mrs. Hattie Caine, Mrs Annetta White, Mrs. Mary E. Black, Mrs. Lucile Sims, Mrs. Anna Watkins, Mrs. Mamie Carlisle.

Chairman of Departments

Mrs.	Flossie Bailey	Young Women's
"	Helen Howard	White Roses
"	Flossie Akers	Art.
"	Sarah Relerford	Education.

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Thursday Morning - The Sixty third Session of the Ind. District Conference branch of the W. M. Missionary Convention convened at Allen Chapel Church, Anderson Ind. with Mrs. Luana Ramey local Pres. + Rev. A. L. Washington, Pastor. Ex Board held it session with Mrs. G. B. Hill Pres. presiding. After registration and reports of all moneys & the Finance Committee Adjournment was in order.

Thursday Afternoon 1-30 P. M. Young peoples Conference Conducted by Mrs. Hossie Bailey Chairman of this department assisted by Mrs. Clark, Baker + Chavers this meeting was prefixed by a group of songs by the young people under the Management of Mrs. Leola Stinkden. the Chairman then beautifully addressed us and a wonderful program followed! Mrs. Hill was presented flowers from this dept. The exceptance by Mrs Hill was appreciated. Music adjourned.

Thursday 9-00 P. M. Local night. The Local society gave a reception for the Convention Mrs Washington, Mistress of Ceremonies. Words fail when we try to bring to the mind the Wonderful Welcomes + most excellent music. The Program from start & finish was beyond discription. The Pres. Mrs. G. B. Hill introduced Mrs. Tressa Heinz Allen Chapel Indpls who responded to the Welcomed Addresses the response was full of inthusiasm Giving kind words of appreciation for kind words of Welcome P. E. Upthegrove and wife were introduced both responded. The last number Looking for the stone that was hewn out of the mountain turned us heavenward and reached the Climax when the image of Jesus was shown and applause after applause from the audience that all were pleased. Dainty refreshments were served. Offering $6.20 Benediction Rev. Craven

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Devotional and Song service by Chaplain Mrs. Hannah Nichols assisted by Mrs. Daniels with Mrs. Snorden at the Piano. "Song I am thine O Lord" Prayer Sister Daniels Sng. "Near the Cross" Scripture reading 116 Ps. – Sister Nichols, "I need the every hour" a spiritual feast followed. and Pres. Mrs. Hill turned meeting over to P. E. Wallace of the Northern District he was assisted by Revs. Jackson, Cavens ? Upthegrove P. E. S. D. Brown, Hollenbay Music Convention Choir. Opening sng "What a friend we have in Jesus" prayer Rev. Jackson Bethel Marion sng. "Down at the Cross" Scripture reading Rev. Craben New Albany Mark 16th sng "My faith Looks up to thee" Dec. Led by Rev. Upthegrove P. E. S. D sng "Then the roll is called up Yonder" Dr. Wallace enthusiastically to us and said he was here to give us God's Speed" he introduced Mrs. Hill and turned the meeting over to the Convention head Presentation of Programs by chairman Mrs. Leota Snorden followed Chr. making presentation speech Motion to adopt carried. Solo Mrs. Ada Lee Evansville after the close of this special number Pres. Mrs. G. B. Hill introduced Rev. C. S. Brown who delivered our Annual Sermon text Mark 16 – Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel The showed Careful study teaching the spirit of serving this edifying, Historical, practical Missionary sermon reached the hearts of all. God was in the Midst. Sng "Onward Christian Soldiers" Convention went into Communion Service The Communion being administered by P. Es. Wallace Upthegrove, and visiting Ministers (in) 79 communed Consecration Service. Rev. Upthegrove leading the prayer. Announcement of Conv. Pres. Mrs. Hill Quiet Hour Mrs Flossie Bailey Marion

Adjournment.

Friday Afternoon

Mrs. Mamie Mitchem 1st. Vice Pres. Presiding
Devotionals led by Chaplain Sister Nichols
Congregational singing led by Mrs
Invocation prayer Sis. Nichols
Paper-What would happen to the Church of Christ
if all Missionary efforts ceased, Mrs. Gibson
St. John Indpls. Opened by Frankfut delegates
followed by General discussion showing-God's
work will never cease. Song "We praise thee O God."
Introductions — Revs. Black, Yard, Purden, Dunlap, Cobb
Irvine, Mrs. Irvine Mrs. Brown, Smith, Miller,
remarks, Rev. Irvin Music - "What a fellowship"
Roll call by Districts
Young Peoples. Roll call Offering 4.79
Solo. Dunlap If you see my Saviour tell him that you
saw me.
Mothers hour — Mrs Gibson chr. of this Dept.
by request Mrs. Washington was ask to recite "Rock me
to sleep"
Song Mothers prayer Mrs Snorden Address Mrs.
Wallace Indpls. Benediction. Rev. Hackley

Friday night

Mrs. Dunigan. 2nd Vice, Pres. presiding
Silent Meditation Have thine own way.
Song "Standing on the promises of God." Pres
Mrs Hill was introduced and delibered her Annual
Message (The Building) Never before has this looked for message
appealed to us showing we must put the very best
material in the building must build day by day, etc.
It was a masterpiece Song "Lift him up". Mrs Snorden
filled us with love for God and humanity.

Offering $4.65

Benediction Rev. Upthegrove
P.E. S. District.

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June 20th Saturday Morning

Devotionals by Chaplain Sis. Nichols assisted by Sis. Mattie Smith. Song "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" Mrs. Hill presiding Demonstration of a Model Missionary Society Mrs. Hazel Dunigan, Kokomo. Paper What plan have you found most successful in arousing Missionary Interest in the Women of your Church Discussion opened by Bethel Indpls. Delegate General discussion, all were benefited by this able paper and stimulating points made in discussing.

Reports of Committees

" for Nominating Committee

" of Mite Boxes Mrs. Howard Chr. M.D. $14.00 S.D. 15.00 total $29.0

" " Circles " Henry $1.50

" " Education

Com. on Credentials reported Mrs. Dunigan Chairman Guilford $138.33

Mrs Robinson received the guilt

Art. Dept. — $25.08

Credentials report adopted by motion

Com. on Education.

Northern Dist. Mrs. Hazel Dunigan $14.10

Southern " " S. E. Pickford 15.00

Music. Convention Choir Sunshine in the shadow $29.10

Greetings read by Mrs. K. Samuels Cor. Secty.

Solo. Mrs Ada Lee at this time was beautifully rendered with the close the Richmond delegate read a

Paper Spiritual uplift gained giving service & Discussion opened by delegate Spruce st. Terre Haute Mrs Mitchem, followed by General discussion Sis. Smith, Henry, Bailey, Ramey, Harris & others all felt benefited by this wonderful topic.

Quiet Hour — Mrs Flossie Bailey Offering $7.30

Adjournment

Saturday Afternoon.

Devotionals Sis. Nichols sng "That a friend we have in Jesus" prayr - Chaplain sng Have thine own way.

Memorial service Mrs. Mitchum 1st. Vice. Presiding
The services were conducted by Mrs. Chavers
Program follows
Opening Sng. Lead kindly Light.
Prayer Mrs Holt
Solo. Mrs. Lee At the end of the road.
Roll call of Deceased
Bishop Carey A. J. — Chicago.
Mrs. Edna Burdett — Layfayette
" Nancy Wallace — Marion
" Anna P. Julius — Marion
" Blanche Jackson — Kokomo
" Gladys Price — Frankfort
" Ellen Davis (Allen Chapel) Indpls.
" Mannie Perry "
" Ada Goins (Bethel) "
" Della White " "
Prof. James Benson " "
Mrs. Harriet Johnson (Shiloh Chapel) Muncie
" Carrie Woods (Bethel) "
Miss Alberta Tolbert, Jeffersonville
Eulogy. Rev. Uptheygrove P.E. S.D. Terre Haute
and. Mrs. Jefferson.

Report of Statistician
" " Corresponding Secty
" " Treasurer

Sergeant.

Election see roll
Benediction Rev. Uptheygrove.
Saturday 8-15 Mrs. Lota Snowden Presiding
Convention was entertained by the Kendrick singers of Chicago this Quartette was beyond the average

Adjourned

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Sunday Morning Regular service

Rev. A. L. Washington delivered a very interesting sermon excellent Music

Sunday Afternoon Symposium by Young People

Does Youth need the Church	Rev. H. Saunders	
Problems of the teen Age	" C. Watkins	
Education plus Christianity	Hastings K. Banda	

These topics were food for thought as the well prepaid servants of God talked to us our hearts were witnessed. Our Young people came prepared to entertain us starting from Thursday afternoon 1:00 P. M. there well rendered programs inspired us. They were assisted in How we witness Thru foreign Missions by Mrs. Samuels Gibson, Holt & others. A paper Miss Pate. Debate deserves honorable mention.

Young Peoples. Report.

	Richmond	11.00
	Bethel Marion —	30.00
	" Muncie	1.50
	Shaffer "	1.50
M. P.	Frankfat	4.00
	Bethel Indpls.	21.00
	Evansville	1.00
	Allen Terre Haute	1.00
	Spruce " "	5.00

Greetings from. Mrs. Minnie Bailey
" " " Carrie Crump Pres. S. Federation
" " " Cristine Smith Pres. Parent Body
" " " Effie Bass
" " " Hyte
" " Miss Millie Hoffman were read by Cor. Secty. Mrs. Samuels.

adjourned & meet in June 1932

Mrs. G. B. Hill Pres.
Lula Moorman Rec. Secty

Terre Haute, Ind. June 17, 18, 19, 1938

The thirty fourth Session of the Indiana Conference Branch of the Women's Mite Missionary Society met on the above date at Spruce Street A. M. E. Church June 17, 18, 19, with Mrs. Mamie Mitchem local Pres. and Rev. J. S. A. Mitchem Pastor. Promptly at 9 o'clock the Devotion and Song Service led by Mrs. Hannah Nicholas (Chaplain) Indpls and Mrs Ada Lee Evansville, Sing Savour more than Life & me Prayer was offered by Chaplain Sing "Near the Cross" We then entered into a Praise service the spiritual tide was high and we closed feeling benefited by being present.

At the close of our devotionals our Pres. Mrs. G. S. Hill invited the visiting Ministers to have places on the Altar. P. E. C. L. Up the grove presided. Rev. A. L. Johnson, Vincennes, "Tried and are we yet alive" Rev. Mitchem read 13 verses from 37th Isa. Song Jesus Saves Decalogue was read by Rev. Craven Pres. Mrs. Hill was introduced and in her own way introduced Mrs. Leota Snorden Chm. of Program Com. who presented the Programs. Solo Mrs. Ada Lee Evansville "I want to see Jesus dont you" Rev. A. L. Johnson of Vincennes was introduced to preach our Annual Sermon. He prefaced his sermon by singing "I heard the voice of Jesus say." Text Isa. 6 ch. 8 verse subject Sending and Going to the Missionfields This Wonderful Sermon carefully well prepared and well delivered inspired us to say "Here am I send me send me" Sing "Hide me Oh my Saviour hide" Convention went into Communion P. E. assisted by Revs. Brown, Craven, Johnson + Mitchem

Roll call of Officers and Delegates all responded save Mrs. Tilson, Jefferson. Lovely

Announcements of Committees.

Noon Tide Prayer — Rev. Craven

Adjourned Benediction Rev. A. L. Johnson.

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Friday 1:30 P. M.

Mrs. G. S. Hill Pres. Presiding
Devotionals Chaplain + Mrs. Lee, Evansville
Song "Take the name of Jesus with you"
prayer Mrs. Lee Song. "Just think of his
goodness to you" Scripture reading from
memory 23rd. Psalm song God will take care
of you. Delegates reports by District (see report)
music Love Lifted me
Address Subjects. 1st. Home Mrs. Lee Evansville
2nd Mother Mrs. Heing. Indpls 3rd. Child Miss.
Mamie Mitchem these addresses were very
pointed and deserve honorable mention a gen-
eral discussion followed. Song. Count your
blessings Rev. Brown + Rev. Upthegrove closed with
addresses. Benediction Rev. Brown.

Friday night 8:15 P. M.
Devotion Young peoples Hour.
Mrs. Flossie Bailey and Mrs. Omma Duffy presiding
Local night.
Mrs. Duffy. mistress of Ceremony
Violin Solo. Miss Gladys Sims.
Welcome on behalf of S. District P.E. Dr. Upthegrove
Music — Cho. address
Address Miss Mitchem
Music - Chr. — Roll Jordan Roll, Deep River.
Young Men's Cho.
Welcome on behalf of the Churches Mrs. Sarah Cable
This program of "all Stars" was appreciated by
the convention. Mrs Goldie Madry, Kokomo
responded to the welcomes. address Prof Hyte
+ the Annual address of our Pres. Mrs G.P.
Hill were master pieces giving us thoughts not
easily forgotten. Pres. and audience stand + sing Lead kindly light in
memory of Mother Hardy. Reception - Local society

Benediction Rev. Brown.

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Saturday June 18, 6 A. M. Hike.

Saturday 8:30 Ymng Peoples Hour. Mrs. Snedw.
Song Love Lifted me.
Solo — Good old fashond way
Trio — Snedon, Summers + Snedon
Reading Miss Mitchin
Solo — Mrs. Snedon This programme was well taken Our Ymng people deserve credit for every number.
Reports of Committees.
Nominating.
Mite Boxes Mrs. Helen Howard.
Education Mrs. Sarah E. Relyea.
music Convention Chorus. Solo. Rev. Craven
Round table Discussion Do I go to Church. because my name is on the Church roll of not why do I go. Paper Mrs. Madry Hopkins followed by Mr Russell, Mrs. Baker, Henry. Carter Bailey Dr. Upthegrove, Rev Brown Craven + Johnson This subject was helpful showing the Church can do without us but we cant do without the Church.
Noon Ride Prayer P.E. Upthegrove

Saturday 1:30 P. M.
Pres. Mrs. G. B. Hill Presiding
Devotion Chaplain Mrs. Nichols
Greetings were read from Mrs. C. S. Smith Parent Body
Mrs. Carrie Crumb Indpls
Rev. R. L. Pope Indpls.
Mr. Herbert Higgins
Mrs. Bessie C. Innis, Evansville
memorial service music Lead Kindly light.
Reports Statistician, Cor. Secty, Treasurer, Art, Music
Election. (see roll) Benediction

Saturday 8:15 P. M. Mrs. Mitchem Presiding.
Devotionals Chairman + Delegates Northern District
Address. Hastings. K. Banda Africa's desire for knowledge this was
Solo Mrs. Ida Lee 2 numbers fine piece from start to finish.
Offering $2.58
Sunday 3 P.M. Symposium Mrs. Mitchem Presiding
Adjourned to meet in Indpls Church (Chapel) June 1933
Mrs. G. B. Hill Pres.
Lula Mossman Rec. Secty.

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Roll Call State Officers

Pres.	Mrs.	G. B. Hill	Indianapolis
Vice 1st.	"	Anna Sims	Terre Haute
Vice 2nd	"	Ada Lee	Evansville
Cor. Secty	"	Kathryn Samuels	Indianapolis
Rec. "	"	Sula Moorman	Franklin
Treasurer	"	Tessa Heinz.	Indpls

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Roll call by Districts

Northern District

Allen Chapel — Indpls
St. John — " "
" Paul — " "
Richmond
Kokomo
Bethel (Marion)
Allen Temple (")
Bethel (Muncie)
Shaffer Chapel "
Anderson
Lafayette
Crawfordsville
Noblesville
New Castle
Frankfort
Lebanon
Penn
Fountain City.
Portland
Connersville
Hills Chapel
Logansport.

Southern District

Bethel Indpls.
C. Chapel "
Evansville
Allen Chapel, Terre Haute
Spruce st. " "
French Lick
New Albany
Bloomington
Jeffersonville
Mt. Vernon
Princeton
Lyles
Franklin
Washington

Charleston
Corydon
Clinton
Rockville
Seymore
Plainfield
Brazil
Vincennes

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Reports

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To the President, Officers and members of the Thirty fourth Session of the St. M. Missionary Society. As Chairman of the White Br. department I beg leave to make the following report.

Wilkins District.

Allen Chapel	Indpls	8.26		
Bethel –	Marion	1.00		
Richmond		4.00		
Noblesville		2.00		
Frankfort		.75		
Carthage		.33		
	Total		$16.34	

Southern District.

Bethel	Indpls	2.00		
Spruce st.	Terre Haute	6.08		
	Total	8.08		$24.12

Respectfully submitted
Helen Howard Chr.

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Northern District

Allen Chapel	Indpls	$19.00		
St. Johns	"	8.35		
Kokomo		9.00		
Richmond		5.00		
Bethel	Marion	18.00		
Allen T.	Marion	1.00		
Frankfort		2.10		
Carthage		.50		
	Total N.D.		$52.85	

S. District

Bethel	Indpls	5.00		
Evansville		2.00		
Allen Chapel	Terre Haute	2.00		
Spruce st.	" "	5.00		
Clinton		.50		
	Total S. D.		$14.50	77.35

77.35
Expense 12.75
net Lab 64.60
To Conference Branch $32.30
To Mrs. Kinch 32.30

Respectfully submitted
F. K. Bailey
Ch. of Y.P.S Dept.

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Friday Morning June 23.

The Officers, Delegates, Visiting Ministers and Friends of the Indiana Conference Branch of The Woman's Mite Missionary Society gathered at Allen Chapel A M E. Church with Rev. H. H Black Pastor and Mrs Tressa Heinz President of The Flora Grand. So as the Hostess for The 35th Session.
Devotion and Song Service Conducted by the Chaplain Mrs Hannah Nichols assisted by Mrs Ada Lee Second vice President. The meeting was opened by singing by the entire group. Prayer offered by Mrs Lee. Scripture reading by Mrs Nichols; testimonial meeting was then enjoyed by all following by silent prayer every one present taking part Favorite verses of the Bible were said and every one joined in singing and handshaking A wonderful ofuding and Ever one present was lifted up. By this meeting which ended by the Young People gathering around the Altar for consecration. The meeting was then taken over by Rev. Jackson. former Presiding Elder for the absent of Rev Wallace. who was unable to be with us. Mrs Mary Buck. Then proceeded to present the programs. Rev. Wittenburg of St John. Indianapolis read. the Scripture lesson. Rev. Boyd. prayed a wonderful prayer. And Rev Crawford sang a soul stirring song. and Rev Smith proceeded with the reading of the "Decalogue. The choir composed of the young delegate and workers of the Young Peoples Department was in the choir box and never have we had sweeter music Mrs Wittenburg. sang two wonderful selection and Rev. Hardrick then introduced Rev R L Pope Pastor of Bethel. Indianapolis who was to bring to us the Annual Sermon. The

subject. "The Heavenly Visions" found in Acts The 26 Chap - 12-19.
A wonderfull message enjoyed by all one we may carry home with us. and be great inspiration in our work. Lord Prayer was prayed in unison followed by the partaking of the Holy Communion. Rev. Jackson then introduced our President Mrs G. B. Hill who then announced the various Committees assigning the pages to their various duties Selection by the choir Rev Black then taken Charge and conducted Quiet Hour. Song "Have Your own Way Lord" all stood in meditation. Prayer, and Song closed this wonderful meeting the pastors leading the procession and State President Officers and delegate following.

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Friday Afternoon 2 o'clock.

The Session opened with Devotionals led by Mrs Nichols and Mrs Smith
Song. "Since Jesus Came into my heart"
Prayer Mrs Smith. Song "I love to tell the story" Meeting was then turned over to President who asked Mrs Relford to read to Chairman and their Committees again New group 7 pages were assigned to their post. Mrs Mary Beck former State worker presented a Quilt for inspection this was given over to Mrs Relford for a contest For the educational Department Mrs Weir & the art dept will have the quilt with her art display throughout the Session. Mrs Relford thanked the President Mrs Hill and Mrs Buck for same and hopes each society will enter contest. Mrs Hill spoke on paying annual dues. She suggested that various Societies would collect dues in small amount and it would be easier for all. At the end of the year remember the art and Mother Department as that alone taking care of the quadrennial taxation. Mrs Stewart wife of Pastor at Marion and sent regrets for her absent. Mrs Bailey of the Young People Department was given a message to take back to her. Mrs Lulu Moorman our Recording Secretary was ill and unable to be with us Mrs Leora Chaver was supplied by our President Mrs Mitchem former 1st Vice Pres was also absent Mrs Mary E Johnson was unable to appear. Few but wise Associational workers but Societies and the depression has made many changes. Our President overlooked a young Student St. she assigned Little Miss Swordin as her private page

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St Paul Choir was next on programe but Rev Hardwick explained why Choir was not here today.
Report of the societies by districts was next in order. Northern District first. Societies reporting nicely telling of the wonderful work they have been doing. The spirits has certainly gained and Evansville Terre Haute Richmond Noble ville Marion New Castle and Indpolis church all spoke of the aid the gave to other this year. Thise crisis has only taught to a higher degree what Christ meant when he instructed us to be "Our Brother's Keeper".
Y. P. department made a good report. Richmond gave out 18 baskets.
1930 Kokomo. sewing Noble ville has a small group as prayer band wonderful work and bringing soul to Christ. All societies seems to be aided the trustee of their churches. Mrs Hill our president was greatly please over these reports.
Mrs Snorden Chr of the Credential Com. Gave a report. 39. delegate & officers present. Mrs Hill then seated the delegation. and instructed all delegate to stay within the bar.
The visitors were introduced.
Mrs Hill acting as spokeman for the + Ladies. and Rev Boyd for the visiting ministers.
Song "You Can Smile" led by Rev Craven who adds much to our session by his wonderful singing.
Mrs Chaver read a paper on
"Are we as Miss reflecting the Vita of Jesus-

Christ. Discussion opened by delegate from St Paul and then was observed by many. Mrs Lee responding by singing "Some thing within" Mrs Hillsonk President announced the latenes of the hour cause other paper to be read Saturday Morning. Pagent by the Y.P. at 4 oclock. Mrs Barnes. amended instead of "like a merry breakfast at the church. Do the out side!
Delegate were to be assigned to their home. Following the closing of Session
Adjournment.

Friday Evening 8:30 oclock.
Again the Officers, delegates Visiting ministers and friend gathered Mrs Sims other 1st vice President and Mrs Heing presiding for a evening of entertainment. The men Chorus of Bethel singing in the Lobby while others were being seated. Then marching in singing "When the Saints come marching in"
Selection by the Allen Chapel Choir. "Sweet Hour of Pray" played by the organist and the audience in Meditation. Selection by Chorus of Ladies from the balcony of the Church. Enjoyed by all. Mrs Sims then introduced our Speaker of the evening one of our own. "Boys" which indeed gave us much pleasure to have with us. Mrs Howard Weaver of Marion showing us again if we train the young. They will in time take up our work and do it well. He made some wonderful. points Tell all to use "service" as our watch word. Speaking words of hope and encouragement to the young. Selection by Choir Mrs Sims presented our President who in turn Gave us her Annual message. Which was full of cheer and good advice Each year her message to us is more greater

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inspiration to the workers Her words.
"Be not discouraged" your finance
report has fallen. Put your hand in
Jesus hand and march on
Jesus desires He should be fair to your
self and to your neighbor.
We also told of the number of good
workers claimed by death. Mrs Mary
Beck presided Mrs Hill with flowers
in Behalf of her own society
The Mary Campbell Mite Miss Jo D.
Bethel Indianapolis. Another floral
piece a marvelous bouquet was given
to her from Allen Chapel Indianapolis
presented by a Jr. member of their love
and esteem. Selection Male Chorus
Bethel A.M.E Church. Mrs Hines then
assumed the charge and gave
us a wonderful program The Jr.
Choir of Allen Chapel. Welcome on
behalf of Members of City Presiding Elder
Waldeck. Organ Selection Mrs Ware.
Welcome from Miss Foley and she
did her work well for we all felt
that the Juniors were glad to have
us. Selections from a woman tried Welcome
on Behalf of the City Clubs by Mrs.
Julia Jefferson President of the City
Council Bold. Mrs Garret Greeting from
the Baptist Churches Mrs Skaggs and
a hearty Welcome from Mrs Gordon.
by our own Workers on behalf of Allen
Chapel and the Flora Grant Miss So.
After this Bethel Quartett Song and
all gathered in a pretty decorated
dining room for a Chr Repass.

Mrs. Hills President.
" Chavers Acting Sec.

Saturday Morning June 27-33

8 30

The session was opened at 8 30 Called Young People's Hour with the delegates and officers of the Junior Department conducting the devotional and Song service. A wonderful meeting was the results after closing the above meeting Rev. Chas Watkins of Richmond talked to the girls and boys and brought to their minds many beautiful thoughts as he alone could as he well knows the effects of mission work after that the Young People gathered for the Conversation.
Meeting at this time was then turned over to the Second vice President Mrs. Lee of Evansville, and the Chaplain Mrs Nicoles of Indianapolis Mrs Lee presiding Selection from St Luke Choir. Paper by the 1st Vice President Mrs Lewis from Terre Haute Subject "How Can We Secure Higher Moral Standards in the Social Life of Today" this paper an excellent one, was written by one of the Junior members of the Society of Seventh Street Church, Terre Haute. Many splendid points were brought out, and we sincerely hope the delegates will put these marvelous thoughts to work when they reach their various societies The delegate from Noblesville then opened the discussion which soon became general.
A Report from Allen Chapel Flora Grant Miss Co was then turned over $58.22 Presentation of flowers to Mrs Young Pres of Flora Grant Co.

by Mrs Baker on behalf of the Flora Grant Miss So was very impressive and timely
Mrs Saunders. Financial Sec made a last minute report of late happenings:
Carthage $3.00
Mt Vernon 1.50
Lyle 5.00
Allen Chapel Marion 9.25
Green Castle 5.00
Worthy mention is in order here as Mrs Woods who make the report from Green Castle is a hard Missionary worker, with out a local society and bring in a good report. Would we could have more workers like Mrs Woods.
Minutes of the three session on Friday June 23 - were read by the acting Sec and accepted as read
Selection by the St John Choir "Still on Jesus."
Round Table discussion was conducted by Mrs Dyson Marion aided by Mrs Baker, Mrs Hume Mrs Lee, Mrs Martin Mrs Williams from Richmond, Mrs Shoecraft and Mrs. Orton it proved to be a wonderful and inspiring discussion, closed by Mrs Barley of Marion who ended singing "Lift him up"
Introduction of visitors and visiting ministers as following, Mrs Hill Miss Avery and Miss Kelly / Hastan Baptist Rev Wallace and Rev Benson Each gave a short talk to the convention this year we have had a goodly number

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of Pastors with us we are indebted to know they are interested in our grand work.
Our President Mrs Hill reminded us again of our Art display stating we would see that cards which was displayed at Report from Mrs Howard Chr of the Mite Boxes was given.
Total for 4th Northern and Southern Districts 26.00
Mrs Hill State President then gave us the address for Christian Women Mrs P E Osborne 2811 Vine St. Kansas City Mo.
Communications were then read by Mrs Bailey as following.
Rev C. A. Updegrove.
Mrs Sadie Anderson.
Mrs Anata White
Mrs. Clara Harris.
Rev and Mrs Hackley
These communications were accepted.
Request was made to turn over to Mrs Rickford the name of your contestant for the Limit Contest.
Mrs Bailey made report of Y. P. Dept
Total 56.00 taken in Expenses 7.50
Bal. 47.50 this to be divided equal with Conference and Parent Branch each receiving 23.75
Educational Report by Mrs Rickford.
Northern District 34.50
Southern " 27.50
Total 62.00.
Rev. Craven then sang a beautiful selection
Quiet Hour was to have been conducted by Rev Hamberg but he was unable to be with us on account of illness

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Mrs Craven at the piano played
"Sweet Hour of Prayer" The Lutheran
Congregation stood for meditation
Prayer by Rev. Benson
Sold Mrs Lee
Announcement of the Pageant by
the Young People Department at
4 o'clock! Also Pageant by St Paul
members to night Also Memorial Servis
to night
Adjourned until 2 30
Mrs G-B Hall Pres
" Vera Chavers Actuey Sec.

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Sat Afternoon 2^30 June 24 33.

Meeting opened by singing "I Love To tell That Story" by Choir composed of Junior Delegates.
Lord Prayer prayed in unison.
Report of the Financial Sec Mrs Samuel for entire State
Total 594.61
Expenses for 35th Session 20.22.
Turned over a balance of 479.20 to the treasury to be placed in Bank
Report of 42^00 was given as being taken in by Mother's Department which almost cover our taxation as explained by the State President Mrs Hill in the session yesterday.
Nominating Comm with Mrs Lyons Chr gave following report
Mrs G-B Hill Pres.
" Craven } 1st Vice
" Simms
" Lee
" Williams Richmond 2nd } Second Vice
Cor. Sec Mrs Samuels
Orpha Orton.
Rec Sec. Mrs Leora Chavers
Treas " Theresa Heinze
Statistician Mrs Davis
Parliamentarian Mrs Flossie Bailey
Chaplain Mrs Hannah Nichols
Supt of Y.P. Dept Mrs Flossie Bailey
Executive Board.
Viola Snorden Indianapolis
Nannie Shoecraft, Muncie
Mrs Rev Smith Crawfordsville
Mrs Gertrude Williams Richmond
Mrs Helen Howard Noblesville
Also Appointed
Miss Pate and division.

Election of Officers was in order the
election conducted by Mrs Flossie
Bailey. The result as following
Mrs G B Hill Indefinite as Pres
Mrs Craven 1st Vice Pres.
Mrs Lee 2nd " "
Mrs Samuels Cor. Sec.
Mrs Chavers Rec Sec.
Mrs Hughes Treasury
Mrs Flossie Bailey Communications
Mrs Nichols Chaplain
Mrs. Flossie Bailey Supt of Y P Dept.
Ex Board.
Mrs Lourdon
" Howard
" Gibson.
The Place for the 1934 convention
was then discussed St Johns Indiana Richmond and Muncie each Extended invitations Crawfordville also desired to entertain next Session of the Missionary Societies but President Mrs Hill Advised this society to wait until the society grew larger.
After several balloting, tying the vote and other proceeding Muncie was chosen as the city to entertain the 36th session of the Indiana Conference Branch of the Missionary Societies
Rev Black our conguial host then installed the above Officers giving each officer a hearty hand shake and wishing each of successful future
Mrs Innes of Terre Haute was made a honorary member of the society.
Introduction of visitors was next on programe Rev Crawford of Bethel Indp.
Mrs Mattix " " "
Mrs Moten " Allen Chapel

Mr Martin of St. [illegible] Indianapolis were then presented to the convention.
Mrs Hill then taken charge of the programme presenting a beautiful Pageant which was well received. This Pageant comp. ed of young Junior members.
Solo by Baby Wittenberg daughter of Rev. Wittenberg of St. John Indpls.
Paper by delegate from St John.
Collection was then taken totaling $3.15
Mrs Hill then passed out the Minutes of the quadrennial Convention. Selection by Choir. Adjournment.
Mrs Hill Pres.
" Travers. Acting Sec.

Evening. Saturday June. 24
Pageant by St. Paul member [illegible] reported it stormed and not a large crowd to witness this but enjoyed by all. Proud of the new society at St Paul. and it has prospects for a bright future.
Sunday morning regular services at Allen delegate were not out as some were at own churches others leaving for homes.
Sunday afternoon five delegates present. President said she would delegates to remain after this until Sessions closed. [illegible] Comm. Memorial Com. reported also Resolution Comm. These reports accepted. Find account of these on next page. All thanked Allen Chapel members Pastor and local society for wonderful entertainment. Session adjourned to meet in Muncie in June 1934
Gertrude B Hill Pres.
Zora Travers Acting Sec.

Report of Resolution Com.

Indianapolis Ind.
June 25 1833.

To the Prudent Officers and members of the 35th Annual Session of the Indiana Conference Branch of Women's State Missionary Society.

The Resolution Com beg leave to submit the following report.

Whereas The 35th Annual Session of our Missionary Convention has had the glorious privilege of meeting in the historic Allen Chapel and enjoying this beautiful structure with all the modern conveniences it possess. and whereas the genial Pastor and his faithful members have shown extreme solicitude for our comfort and though the public reception graciously extended to us a welcome to the entire City. We express the sentiment of the entire Convention in thus showing our appreciation to them

And whereas this the 35th session marks twenty four years of continuous Christian sperritual service of our State President Mrs G-B Hill who through these years has endeared herself to both young and old we wish for her long years of service

We wish to express our appreciation to Rev. J P D Wallace presiding Elder of the Northern District for his presence and encouragement to Rev R L Pope for his deeply impressive Annual Sermon the Rev. C H Jackson for his services and all visiting ministers especially do we appreciate the cheery presence and assistance of Miss Sarah Fiske with

By Rev. R L Pope the beautiful Solos by Mrs E N. Wittenberg and the interesting and inspiring address by Mrs. Howard Wurr Death has invaded our ranks. This year and taken from us some of the best workers both in the District body and State and local Societies We receive. Therefore as Missionaries Workers to rededicate our selves on the alter of sacrifice giving our best for the cause of Mission.

Mrs Flossie Bailey Chairman
Wendred Hawkins Sec.
Lissie Fanning.
Rena Howard. } Members of Com.
Bessie Fanning.

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Indianapolis Ind June 25 - 33.

Madam President Officers, Delegates
and Friends Of The 35th Session
Of The Womens Home Missionary Society

We The Memorial Comm. submit the
following report.
We Find the following Parent
Body Officers have passed away
Rev. Court of New York
Mrs Kinch of Orange N. J.
The following from our own Conference
Bodies.

Mrs M B McCullough Carthage
" E Duffy Terre Haute
Rev Rabitory Crane Jeffersville
Rev. Giles Chicago
Mrs Roger Gary Evansville
Master Charles Reed Evansville
Mrs Essie Bains Kokomo
Mrs Georgie Rice Bethel Indp.
Mrs Georgie Caldwell " "
Mrs Katie Neal Allen Chapel Indp.
Mrs Fessie Felker " " "
Mrs Anna B. Jones Muncie

These are our Friends who have left us
And to Heaven They have gone
But with Jesus they are resting
And we bid them to sleep on
This shall be known when we are dead
And left our long record
That nations yet unborn may read.
And trust and praise the Lord

Careful Submitted
Mrs Sarah Gibson. Mrs Ida Williams
Mrs Clyde Smith Members of Com.
Mrs Gertrude Williams Chr
Mrs Mildred Fears. Secy.

Comtes of the 35th Session

Credential Comm
Mrs Leola Snoddy Chr Indianapolis
" Helen Howard Noblesville
" Katie Campbell Indianapolis
" Narcissus Holt "
" Orpha Orton Kokomo.

Nominating Comm.
Mrs Susie Alyson Ch. Marion
" Ida Lyon Indianapolis
" Ada Lee Evansville
" Marcella Walker Indianapolis
" Mamie Shoecraft Muncie

Finance Comm
Mrs Susie Pole Chr. Indianapolis
" Anna Lewis Terre Haute
" Addie Herbert Indianapolis
" Sarah Fairchild "
" Nevada Pattee Marion

Memorial Comm.
" Gertrude Williams Chr Richmond
" Clyde Smith Indianapolis
" Ida Williams " "
" Sarah Gibson New Albany.
" Mildred Fields New Castle

Resolution Comm
Mrs Flossie Bailey Chr Marion
Miss Winfred Gardner Kokomo
Miss Bessie Fleming Frankfort.
" Jessie Faulkner "
Miss Rena Howard Noblesville.

Pages.
Winfred Gardner Kokomo.
Mary Bell Johnson Indianapolis
Altha Hill "
Frances Martin "
Margret Gomas. "
Alice Johnson Richmond

Mite Box Report Mrs Howard

Northern District.

Bethel Marion	.50
Crawfordsville	50.
Frankford.	25
Noblesville	200.
St Paul. 2nd p.	100.
Allen Chapel	12.22
Kokomo	53.
Later. No Name found out was Richmond	50
Total	1800.

Southern District

Bethel 2nd p.	500
Spruce St Terre Haute	300
	800.

Northern	1800
Southern	800
Total	2600.

40th Session - Annual Conference

Terre Haute Ind. June 22, 1938

The School of Missions which was the main theme of the Institute of the 40th Session of the Ind. Conference Branch of the Women's Mis. Missionary Society, was presided over by the Dean of the Institute Mrs Ethel Simpson Hyte. The opening was the song - Take my Life + Let it Be and then the pres. Emeritus, Mrs G. B. Hill, led in prayer. The song, Stand Up for Jesus was sung with M. G. Hoffman at the piano. Mrs Hyte gave brief historical remarks + introduced Mrs Charlotte Rodkey of Indpls, who gave a review of the book, "Women under the Southern Cross". She was very thorough and very efficient. She said that the book deals specifically with the M. E. church. People who live there are ÷ into classes, Aristocrats - Middle class - Savages - Workerclass, and those there for commercial and missionary purposes. The 10 republics are not too extensively populated, but they are a very interesting group, interested in worthwhile things. There are 3 types of missions in the Evangelical church - Missions - Indepen. mission + the Indepen. Faith missions. The women are courteous + charming + usually speak more than 1 language. They enjoy unusual emancipation, regard their homes as sacred, but are lax in the discipline of their children. The health situation is poor due partially to double standard of living. One big trouble of missionaries is trying to save the babies. School system is rather peculiar - all modeled on missionary type of school, however government schools are outstripping Mission Schools. There is a very great need there for women nurses. The religious education in Sund. Schools is improving. They have departmentalized S. Schools + have

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training Institutes + Conventions. The men are greatly surprised that the women speak in public + are persistent in their speech. They have definite aims + programs in their societies. They have a Federated League of Missionary women. Quite a list of superstitions these + Missionaries are working hard to stamp out the evil. The World Day of Prayer, binds both continents together in a common cause. She then gave a brief review of the A. M. E. Church. She spoke of what the New Jersey women were doing to help in S. America, no color line, + teachers in but economic conditions were not so good.

The Rev. Bishop John A. Gregg, was introduced + told of Rev. Tuskey who founded a school in S. America, + how surprised the natives were to know we had colored bishops. He gave a decided personal touch to the topic of South America's. The next two subjects were to have discussed by Mrs Dixon + Mrs Julia Jefferson, both were delayed due to conditions beyond their control. Our honorable Bishop very graciously consented to talk. He told in an interesting manner how thru a letter head, the A. M. E. Church was established in S. Africa. The first General Conference in Africa was held in 1897. He gave a wonderful historical sketch and told the work of every bishop that had served in S. America. The biggest thing among the Blacks folk on the Island of Bermuda is the A. M. E. Church. The A. M. E. has finest missionary Society because the women are more active than of the Churches + women from other churches join A. M. E. society. Autos there are used only for trade, not for pleasure, every one rides wheels. Of the 4 colored members of parliament three of them are A. M. E. members. As no greetings were asked to ~~meeting~~ was turned over to the Pres. Mrs Bailey. She thanked the Bishop + wife for being so very willing to be among us. She also asked that all ~~women~~ money be given to financial committee immediately, also the Institute. A Credential committee was appointed.

Miss Naomi Pulcham, Secy Treas. of Young People asked that all young people be prompt at 7:30.
She stressed the theme Prayer + asked that all come in the attitude of prayer. Dismissed by Presiding Elder Bradford with the Prussian Noble Mood.

Thursday night at Allen Chapel, Terre Haute, Ind. State Nite Missionary. The program Thurs. nite was in complete charge of Miss Naomi Mitcham, Sec'y Treas. of Young People's Dept. Her theme of "prayer" was dramatized in a very inspiring manner. Her opening was a group of 2 songs by a group of young people from Spruce St. Miss Bertha Hawkins of Marion led in prayer. Miss Evajean Finley of Allen Chapel Indpls read impressive - "Symphony on Prayer". The Prayer Perfect was sung by children from Allen Chapel, Terre Haute. "Hands" was dramatized by young people of Allen Chapel, Bethel + St. John Indpls. Charlotte Wilson of St. Paul, Indpls. sang a solo. "Praying Hands" was dramatized by Allen Chapel, Bethel, St. John Indpls, a chorus from Allen Chapel sang, and Biblical prayers were said by people from Spruce St, Terre Haute. The closing was read by Miss Mitcham and dramatized by the young people. The bishop + wife graced the program with their presence, and spoke in high favor of Miss Mitcham + her splendid work with the young People.

Miss Mitcham announced the hike for the next morning and the breakfast. She also announced the Worship service for Friday afternoon.

Adjourned.

Friday night -

The Friday night session was one of the high spots of the convention, and we sat all evening drinking in every word which was given us. The Choir opened the service and prayer was offered. P. Elder Bradford

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made introductory remarks, and introduced His Honor the Mayor, Beecher, he proved to be a Christian legislator, and said he always implored God's help in all his deliberations. Rev. Maxwell pastor of the Free Baptist Church brought greetings. Mrs C. F. Hyte brought a wonderful welcome address. Mrs Anna Thus Fatherham, State vice pres. introduced the State President, Mrs Flossie Bailey, and she gave her message. Her main thought was helpfulness she spoke of the House by the side of the Road and told just what missionaries were supposed to do, search for the good they could do. P. Elder Bradford introduced the main speaker of the evening, The right Rev. Bishop John C. Gregg A. M., D. D., L. L. D. He spoke of his work & experiences in S. Africa and gave many amusing incidents during their stay abroad. Rev. Wittenburg's little son, sang a duet with his mother who accompanied them on the piano, He also gave a whistling solo. Rev. Holly of the Presbyterian Church (white) gave very interesting remarks. The Bishop gave closing remarks, and commended the Mayor for taking God as his leader, & for staying until the session was over. Bishop also suggested that an offering be taken, and as a result $4.14 was taken in. After the program, the local church served ice cream & cake to the delegation, & a social hour was enjoyed

Adjourned.-

J. M. D. Hoffman

Secy.

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Richmond, Ind.
June 21, 1935.

The 37th session of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society of the Ind. Conference Branch opened with devotional services conducted by the state chaplain, Sister Hannah Nicholas, with Miss Orlee Foley at the piano, the song "I need Thee Every Hour," was sung. The scripture lesson was read by Mrs Ruth Carter. "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" was sung. A testimonial meeting was enjoyed, after which- Take my Hand- was sung. This closed the devotions. The Junior choir, spotlessly robed marched in singing the processional "Have Thine Own Way Lord." They were followed by these ministers, Revs, C. H. Jackson, Mitcham, H. Saunders, Davis, Boyd. The state officers followed. Rev. Saar Davis read Paul's 1 letter, 5th. chapter to the Galatians. He led in the opening exercises of the service. Hymn 292- Go Reach my Gospel Saith the Lord- Prayer by Rev. Saunders, pastor of our church in Marion. The Choir sang, Sweet Hour of Prayer Scripture by Rev. Boyd of Charleston. Choir, I want to be More & More like Jesus. Rev. C. H. Jackson presented the State Pres. Mrs. G B. Hill who was escorted to the rostrum by the Ushers. The Choir stood while Abide with Me, was sung, this was played by Mildred Hoffman. Mother Hill then offered a prayer imploring mercy for the patient congregation, the faithful ministers & good people of Richmond In her opening remarks she asked that all state officers act as one big family and adjust all matters in a Christian way. She offered an excuse for P. E. Wallace who was called to Wilberforce. She said that most of her presiding must needs be done while she remained seated, owing to her weak physical condition. She expressed faith that before she would be able to carry on the Convention

The Programs were presented by Mrs Leoda Morton, Chairman of program committee. Mrs Ada

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Lee of Evansville rendered very beautifully the solo "Because He Loved Me So" accompanied by M. D. Hoffman. Mrs. Hill introduced Rev. J. A. S. Ritchan who was selected to deliver the annual sermon. He sang "God Leads His Dear Children Along." His text- Paul's Second Letter to the Galations, Chpt. 5 - Verse 17. "If any man be in christ, he is a new Creature old things are passed away, behold all things are become new." Subject- The test of Discipleships. He said, The grace of God alone changes our disposition, a character is revealed not by occasional good deeds, the standard is the constant trend of one's life. The greatness of a person comes in living above the things that try to destroy them. Temper helps one to control oneself but when it is turned loose it becomes destructive. Whenever the Christian light goes out, one has lost contact with the power house. We must not be always ready to avenge wrong done us, we must give God a chance. The choir led in chanting the Lord's Prayer, & then sang. "I am His, & He is Mine." Rev. C. H. Jackson assisted by other ministers administered the Holy Sacrament & all ministers were called to the front. Mrs Hlossie Bailey, Chairman of Young People's Dept. gathered all the youth & they communed together. The convention arose in Fellowship & sang, "There is Joy in this Land." Rev. A. E. Clark was introduced as a pleasant surprise to the convention. Rev. Shannon was introduced. The Finance Committee was appointed.

Maggie Baker
Marchelie Walker
Carrie Bell
Eddie Martin
Ida Dunn.

The president asked all delegates having money please report to finance committee. The credential committee was asked to collect credentials. All persons having bills were asked to hand them in. The state pres. asked that all local secretaries not reelected, pass on all

correspondence to new secy. Mrs H. Samuels read the roster of State officers. The credential comittee reported 34 delegates and 11 State officers. She asked all delegates take special care in having the credentials made out correctly. The after noon meeting was scheduled for 1:30. Mrs Williams introduced Mrs Hattie Brown of Mt Moriah Baptist Church, a missionary worker. Mrs. Gibson, Rev. Black, Rev. Jackson, Rev. Mitcham, Rev. Davis, Rev. Evans all stood & Mrs Hill thanked them for their attendance. Mrs Hinburn & Mrs Bush of Rohelsville were introduced. Mrs. Tresa Fenn Allen Chapel, Jrdpls. conducted the Quiet Hour. She spoke very convincingly on the subject- "Keep Up Our Courage." The audience was very appreciative & I am sure did feel more encouraged to continue after having listened to her talk.

Adjournment for dinners

Mrs G. B. Hill
Pres.
Millie D. Hoffman.
Secy.

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Friday Afternoon
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at 1.45 all young people were called to the front to form convention choir. The first song was, "I'm on the Battlefield for my Lord, Mrs Leoda Snorden acting as directress. All stood & sang the chorus of this song. The congregation remained standing while Mrs R.C. Henderson led in prayer. Song - If you see my Savior, tell Him that you saw me." Mrs G. B. Hill state pres. told a very touching story of Western frontier life. She told of the braveness of a whistling boy and compared it to the beautiful songs of the negro race.

Committees.

Nominating
Mayme Mitchum
Josephine Stone
Clara Bullock
Anne Watkins
Fansy Kennedy
Susie Dixon
Lulee Foley

Resolution
Anna Simms
Nelson
Lucile Smith
Viola Bundy
Nevada Pate

Memorial
Coleman
Waddy
Ruth Carter
Ramey
Beatrice Oriel

Courtesy

Pages
Taylor
Griffith.

Mrs Hill gave the chairman of committees a few instructions.

Each department head stood & told her exact duties, so that the delegates might not be mixed up. She urged every organization to celebrate Mothers Day. She instructed that it is not fair to take assessment money for the

departments. Annual dues are expected to be paid, which amounts to 50¢ per year. Greeting was read from Reb. R. C. Henderson, also one from the Ladies Progress Club of Bethel Church, Indpls. Mrs Carrie Crumps, president. The song - Take my Hand - was sung. It was moved + carried that the fourth seat back clear across be the bar of the convention. Mrs Carrie Bell of Evansville rendered a special number, "He is waiting to bless you right now." She was accompanied by Miss Juanita Shannon. The whole convention joined in the chorus. Mrs Samuels called the roll of delegates. Miss Shanon played, Have Thine Own Way Lord, and all stood in meditation. Mrs Samuels called for reports from the Districts.

Southern District.

1. Bethel Indpls. Sarah Manuel elaborated on her idea of missionary work.
2. Evansville. Mrs Carrie Bell spoke of the rise of the society in Evansville, and said they are asking all church members to become Missionary members.
3. Allen Chapel Terre Haute - Mrs Shannon.
4. Spruce St. Terre Haute, Mrs Annie Simms.
5. French Lick
6. New Albany 7. Bloomington. 8. Vincennes
9. Jeffersonville 10. Mt. Vernon 11. Princeton
12. Tyles 13 Franklin, 14 Bedford 15 Gordyn
16. Clinton 17. Rockville, 18. Jeffersonville, 19 Plainfield.

Northern District.

1 Allen Chapel - Indpls. Mrs Coleman
2 St. John Indpls. Mrs Martin
3 St. Paul 4. Richmond 5. Kokomo.
6. Bethel Marion - Mrs Burden.

7. Allen Temple Marion 8. Bethel Muncie
Miss Ida Smith, Mrs Henry + Rev. Jackson
of Muncie spoke in praise of the local
society.
9. Shaffer Chapel Muncie
10. Anderson - Mrs Ramey
11. Lafayette
12. Crawfordsville
13. Rohelsville - very good reports.
14. New Castle - Helen Haddon
15. Frankfort + Lebanon
16. Connersville - Ruth Carter
17. Carthage
18. Charleston. 19. Hills Chapel - 20 Peru.
21. Fountain City
22. Logansport.

A visitor in the person of Dr. E. A. Clark came forward and told of a young African boy + said he speaks beautiful English. He introduced him Mr. Yarzi, a native of Liberia. He gave a very interesting talk, stated that he was an A. M. E. + had been educated in A. M. E. Schools, he had also published books on Liberia, which he had for sale. The convention stood in appreciation of his talk. The young people gave their reports, directed by Mrs Flossie Bailey. She told how happy she was to be present, in contrast to last year, she was critically ill + she felt that the prayers of these good women have helped her to regain her strength. She introduced her young people and introduced two from Marion who were on the distinguished roll of High School graduates. Two very small girls from Anderson gave their report + sang then Allen

Pearl song. Mrs Bailey very impressively told the real value of the youth to the Missionary society. She implored the adults to go to their respective homes + start a missionary among the young people. Mrs Bailey told of the forthcoming young people's program, to be given at a dinner meeting on Saturday. She also announced a hike and breakfast on Saturday morning.

Adjournment

The Saturday meeting was opened with the regular enthusiastic devotions. The young people however conducted the devotionals, and it was one long to be remembered for its devoutness. The mother's Dept. with Mrs Nettie Gibson as the State leader gave a very impressive pageant of Nations. The countries represented were India, Africa, China Japan and America. All work in general was cleared up, all committees reported. All pieces from the Art Departments were sold.

One of the most inspiring conventions ever held was brought to a close on Sat. evening with the following officers elected for the ensuing year.

Mrs G. B. Hill — State President.
Mrs Mitchum — First Vice
Mrs Ilsa Shannon — Second Vice
Mrs Kathryn Samuels, — Corresponding Secy.
Millie D. Hoffman — Recording Secy.
Mrs Tressa Helm — Treasurer
Mrs Flossie Bailey — Parliamentarian
Mrs. Ruth Carter — Chaplain

Adjournment

G. B. Hill. Pres.
M. D. H. Sec'y

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Noblesville, Indiana.
June 18, 1937

The Indiana Conference Branch of the Women's Mite Missionary Society opened Friday morning at 8:45 with a Board Meeting Session.

The Pres. Mrs G. B. Hill gave an encouraging and helpful talk to the women, and many family affairs were discussed.

It was announced that the Bishop would preach at the morning service, but that he would be unable to remain longer.

It was also announced that Rev. Hixson of the Southern District, pastor in Evansville would preach at the evening service. The committee on Education was named as follows:

Mrs Sarah Belford (3rd pl's)
Mrs Asa Shannon (Richmond)
Mrs Sarah Manuel (Greater Bethel) 3rd pl's.
Mrs Bessie Norton (3rd pl's.)
Mrs Anna Watkins

It was announced that all meetings were to be held in this church. Mrs Flossie Bayley made a statement concerning her young people. Mrs Samuels said, in reply to inquiries about the receipts, that it was more convenient to send the receipts to the ministers about 2 weeks before conference.

Mrs Hill urged the women to be punctual about sending in the officers names after the election in July.

The following officers paid their annual dues 1st at this time.

Mrs Henry (Muncie) 1st
Mrs Jackson (Marion) 1st
Mrs Gibson (New Albany) 1st

Mrs Bell (Evansville)	50¢
Mrs Mary Kay (")	50¢
Mrs Lee (")	50¢
Miss M.D. Hoffman (Lafayette)	60¢

Adjournment for Devotionals
Mrs Eva Collinow, Mrs Hannah Nichols & Mrs Emma Harris lead in the devotionals, with Mrs Alsa Shannon at the piano. The Right Rev. J. A. Gregg bishop of our conference, came in at this & received a great ovation. He was accompanied by the Presiding Elders Wallace & Bradford. The whole devotional service was spiritual & fervent.

The morning session was opened by Presiding Elder Wallace reading the ritualistic service in our hymnal, a volunteer choir ~~opened~~ furnished the music for the service, the first song, being "When the Roll is called Yonder, I'll Be There," Mrs Leota Snorden leading, & Mrs Mrs M. R. Dixon at the piano.
Invocation was offered by Rev. L. E. Mayfield, pastor of our church at Frankfort. "Lord, I want to be a Christian", was sung. Rev. R. C. Henderson of Greater Bethel, Indpls was called to the platform, & he read the scripture lesson. The first 16 ~~chap~~ verses of the 33 chapter of the book of Deuteronomy. The decalogue was led by Presiding Elder Bradford. Presiding Elder Wallace presented the Conference Branch President, Mrs Gertrude B. Hill, & she announced that it had been requested that Rev. Dan Davis render a solo. He sang effectively & sang

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the song "I'll be one". The whole church joined in the final chorus - and it left all feeling that it was really good to be here. Mrs Hill then presented Rev. Wallace & he in turn presented the Right Rev. Bishop Gregg, Bishop of the Epsicopal District, & he asked that all sit in a worshipful & receptive attitude.

The Bishop told in his introductory remarks how proud he was to be an Episcopal Methodist, & that he would joyfully attend the Sesqui Centennial, 150 yrs of progress, in which time 68 bishops had been made. He took his text from the 33 chapter of Deuteronomy, the first clause of the 13 verse, & the last clause of the 16 verse. "And this is the blessing wherewith Moses the man of God blessed the children of Israel, And of Joseph he said, Blessed of the Lord be his land. Text - The Good Will of Him that dwelt in the bush.

He compared the salutatory speech of Moses to his valedictory speech. At first his heart was full of bitterness and his mouth was full of complaint. After 40 years, when he had used by God for liberation of his people, after he had looked God in the face, then in his closing speech, he only asked God's favor to rest upon him.

At the close of this very powerful sermon, Mrs Hartfield of Chicago was requested by the bishop to sing, & she sang with much feeling, "I'll be strong". Rev Wallace extended the invitation while the song, "Take your burden to the Lord & leave it there",

was serv'd. Mrs Tressa Heinz made a presentation speech to the Bishop & presented him with a gift from the Indiana Conference Branch. Mrs Hill presented a beautiful bouquet of roses to be given to Mrs Gregg, wife of our Bishop as a token of love & esteem. The Bishop had previously explained that his wife had met with a painful accident in Indpls & was unable to attend. Rev. Shannon also presented the Bishop with a gift from the District Conference.

The holy communion was given, the Bishop assisted with the first table then he & Rev. Henderson left for Indpls. After several tables of communion and a hearty handshake, Mrs Jenna Watkins presented the programs of the 39 annual session of the Indiana Conference Branch. She made a very pretty speech & stressed the theme of the convention which was "Love" - and said she hoped the spirit of love would prevail throughout the sessions. The programs were received and adopted. Mrs Flossie Bailey presented the programs for the Young People & the theme was - "Reaching the Unreached". The programs were accepted. Mrs Hill made a plea for the young people to stay in the convention and learn, & she instructed the members of the Executive Board to be on time at all meetings, & also said, "Let's get off."

Mrs Marcelite Walker sang the solo, "Courage - Go On," & was accompanied by Mr. E. Hardman. Mrs Snorden then

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presented the Presiding Elders & ministers, those presented were the Rev. Wallace; Bradford; Dear Davis; Henderson Davis; Rev M. E. Mayfield, Jackson; Hardwick; Irwin; Tedrow; G. R. Jackson; Jones (Kokomo) H. H. Black; H. D. Shannon.

All ministers wives and other visitors were presented. Mrs Cottman made a short talk of welcome; Mrs Dixon Mrs Bradford & Mrs Mayfield responded to requested for a talk. Mrs Wallace and Mrs Irwin also talked. Miss Juanita Watkins said she used to known as the Missionary Baby & now she was proud of the association she had with Mrs Hill & these good women. She would never forget the training & she wanted Mrs Hill to know that the Missionary babies would always be praying for her.

Mrs Hittenburg talked and said she had been called to the ministry, & her prayers proved that His Hands had really been laid on her. The two secretaries were called to the table and an offering was taken, the amount being $6.02.

Mrs Bedford asked that the following committee meet her after dinner

Asa Shannon, Educational committee.
Snorden
Sarah Manuel
Anna ~~Manuel~~ Watkins
Mrs. Hill.

The convention stood in meditation while Mrs Shannon played Lead me with Me, Adjourned until the morning session. Dinner

Mrs. E. E. Hill Pres.
M. E. Hoffman Sec'y.

The Friday afternoon session of the Ind. Conference Branch of the Missionary Society opened at 2 o'clock with Mrs G. B. Hill, State Pres. in chair. She asked that all sit with heads bare & the 2 first seats be used by State officers. The Annie Mae Workman Y. P. A. of Allen Temple Marion, with Miss Orpha Ford as leader, led in devotions. They sang Let the Lower Lights be Burning. Mrs Carrie Bell of Evansville led in prayer. Continuing in devotion they sang Hear Lord, Forgive. Miss Lucille Smith of Marion read for scripture lesson, Luke 15 - first 9 verses. Then the song, Jesus Paid it all, was sung.

Mrs Flossie Bailey took charge & enlarged upon the subject of Reaching the Unreached. She read a very touching poem, which stressed that we should not stand idly by, but we should help others.

A ~~Consecration~~ consecration meeting was held and all the young people stood with bowed heads while Mrs Eva Cottman prayed for their consecration to the work. The sweet strains of Have Thine Own Way, was heard all during the prayer. The consecration was closed by all singing the song.

The credential list was called for by Mrs Mitchom who was presiding. The committee on credentials asked for more time.

After singing - What a Friend we have in Jesus - the credential committee reported. They reported 45 delegates — 21 State officers, making 66 eligible to vote.

The report was adopted. The roll of officers and delegates was called.

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The committees were read as follows:

Credentials
Tressa Heiz
Snorden
Mary Johnson

Resolutions
Sarah Manuel
Sarah Mayfield
Mamie Jackson
Esther Crosby
Florence Reed
Jessie May Good.

Memorial
Angeline Giles
Narcissus Holt
Emma Harris
Bernice Johnson
Sarah Starks

Nominating
Sarah Releford
Susie Dixon
Laura Coleman
Ada F. Watson
Vada Crumball
Mrs Wittenburg
Ida Smith

Finance
Nettie Gibson
Mrs Bradford
Bertha Hawkins
Betty Dixon
Lucille Smith
Naomi Mitcham
Nettie Perkins
Anna Simms

Courtesy
Halsey
Orpha Ford
Arlee Foley
Stuart
Mitchell
Ida Belle Bass
Charlotte Bass

Pages.
Sara Ann Johnson
Ida Ruth Jones.

Rev. Jones of Kokomo and Rev. Boyd of Terre Haute (Spruce St.) were introduced. Rev. Jones was introduced as a great financier and Rev. Boyd

Mrs H. Elizabeth Dixon

509 E. Gum St. Evansville, Ind.

Geraldine Bradford
1915 Spruce St.
Terre Haute.

as the minister who entertained the annual conference. An urged appeal was made for the women to take the Woman's Missionary Recorder.
This appeal was made by the President.
Mrs Minnie Bailey made an appeal for the G. B. Hill fund. All Chairmen were asked to stand, and the financial status of each office was explained.
Mrs Mitchum, first vice president stressed the G. B. Hill fund.
Reports were called for
Southern District reported.
Northern District reported

At this junction Rev. Sears bid good bye to the convention, stating he had to go because his wife was ill. The Young people gave their reports and got some interesting talks about their clubs. Mrs Hill told of her wonderful recent experiences with the young people of the state. She had recently visited with the juniors at Pearl ~~Gold~~ Bethel, at Linton and at Franklin.
The chairman of the Juvenile Dept. gave the following list of the officers;

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46.04
expenses 3.04
$43.00 being turned over by
Mrs Maralite Walker.
After diligent work by the committee
the meeting was adjourned with the
mizpah.

Mrs. G. K Hill Pres,
Mr. D. Hoffman Secy.

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Hobbsville, N. C.

Saturday Morning.

The Board Meeting convened at the home of Bro. & Mrs. Carl Davis with the Pres. Bro. J. B. Hill presiding. The morning song Jesus, Keep me near the Cross, was led by Mrs. Lee of Evansville. They then sang, Precious Lord take my hand.

The first consideration was the finance of the Rev. Presiding Elder Bradford & Rev. Dixon. Bishop Greggings given. $15.00 from the society. We owed $1.00 to Mrs Hege for postage on the minutes. We also owe $2.00 to the Educational Department for the minutes. The secretarial ledger was discussed and it was decided that a new one must be purchased for next year. It was decided to give Rev. Dixon and Rev. Bradford $5.00 each for their presence and services. Mrs Samuels called for expense accounts, they came in as follows,

Lee	3.00
Minnie Bailey	2.97
Snorden	1.78
Releford	2.00
Bellcardine	4.00
Walker (interpreter)	3.04
Pitchon	1.00
Gibson (Hattie)	2.00
Hoffman	1.00
Recorder	22.25
Special	5.00
Gress Heinz	2.90
Thornton	3.00
	5.30
Cor. Sec.	
Mrs Hill	2.20

$61.16 + 10 = 71.16$

total expense

71.16
5.00 Rev. Bradford
5.00 Rev Dixon
15.00 Bishop Gregg

$71.16 - 15.00 = 56.16$

56.16

The president talked about the quadrennial
asked that any woman wishing to
go either as first, second or third
delegates, must give some sort of
entertainment and help themselves.
All state offices should be active in their
local branches. The Department heads are
to raise their own money. Many pointed
questions were raised by the women
concerning State officers. These questions were
answered by the president. The annual dues
must be paid in all local societies and no
society should not send a delegate whose
dues are not paid. Mrs Thompson
made a direct statement establishing the
correct status of the Richmond branch.
We were instructed to hold our next annual
meeting separately. It was moved &
carried that Mrs Flossie Bailey be
endorsed by this convention and the
fourth Episcopal District be informed
about the endorsement. The Board
dismissed and went to the church.

Sat. morning

At 10 o'clock at the church. Mrs
Cottrow, Nichols and
led in Devotions. Mrs Milsham took the
chair. A volunteer choir of young people
furnished the music. They did fine and
rendered sacred songs. Rev. Jackson
gave a hopeful talk.

Mrs Bailey then took charge
of the Young People held a Conference.

Friday Night.

The Friday night service opened with Presiding Elder Bradford in charge. Rev. Henderson Davis led in song and prayer. The regular opening was used and the misses Juanita Shannon and Elizabeth Hawkins led in singing of "Dwelling in Beulah Land." The devotion service closed with singing "I Have a Friend we have in Jesus".

Rev. Bradford introduced Rev. Dixon. His subject was Alybis, wise and otherwise, found in Samuel, 1st chapter

John 9 " 25 verse,
Text, I know not, but one thing I know
whereas I was blind, now I see.

Rev. Mayfield led in song after the sermon.
Rev. Bradford introduced the State pres.
She told of needs and hopes in the
program. Mrs Trout read a paper
on Heroic Women. Mrs Blanche
Bailey and Miss M. L. Huffman took
up the offering which was
Mrs Anderson and Mrs
accompanied by Mrs. Hoffman.
The local treasurer gave a
very good program, welcoming the
visitors gave it. Mrs Blanche
Bailey asked to introduce Mrs Tuttle
an African missionary worker & her
adopted African daughter.
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Executive

Terre Haute, Ind. June 25, 1938.

The Executive Board of State Missionary met Saturday morning at 8:30, with Mrs Hutchens presiding. The topics were the Pres: recommendations, 1, That we establish & organize a semi-annual meeting of the Missionary Societies in each district to further inspiration and unity for cause of missions. We ask Presiding Elders to cooperate in planning such organizations. Different members expressed their views, stating that the plan seemed workable & would help to simplify matters. It was suggested that Mrs Bradford preside over the semi annual meeting of the Southern District. Mrs Shorter moved that the first recommendation be accepted, it was carried. The second recommendation, The moral condition in the country brought on to a large extent by the present spirit of intemperance, we ask each local society to integrate into their years program a study of the need of temperance education. The clubs are to stress temperance, by consent this was accepted. Third. That we work with the Parent Body in every way to establish a summer retreat for the purpose of religious education under Missionary, A. C. E. League & Sunday School leadership & suggest Wilberforce Campus, as an ideal location, also that we establish the camp next summer & a committee be appointed at the next executive meeting to finish plans. This was moved & carried. Fourth. That each minister & local president see that a Sis. & Bro. be elected for the Young people. Fifth. The week preceding Thanksgiving be known as Thanks-offering week, each local society using the entire week for the Missionary Educational purposes thru programs, special sermons, pageants etc. And Proceeds from these programs be sent to a Thanks Offering Chairman. Adopted by Conser-

It was suggested that we pay Bishop & Mrs Gregg $5.00 and Rev. Bradford $0.00. This was carried. Mrs Hettie Gibson moved that the two secretaries be paid, the financial sec'y $0.00; the recording sec'y $5.00 This was carried. The 1¢ per member for quadrennial expense must be paid by all local churches. The special quadrennial tax is to pay for entertainment of the quadrennial which will be entertained by the Fourth Episcopal District. Only State officers & delegates are to pay the annual 50¢, any local woman who really desires to belong to State may do so by paying 50¢. After some discussion, Mrs Bailey suggested that she write Mrs Christine Smith & clear up the matter of money paid at annual conference. Mrs Marcelite Walker asked about the Mite Boxes. It was made clear the reason the Mite box contributions had gone down. Mrs Snorden asked if Sunday meeting could be eliminated. & Pilot suggested that this would be discussed in next executive meeting. Mrs Kathryn Samuels, made report of financial sec'y. Cash on hand $52.97 the financial sec'y report for details. Mrs Cecelia Gregg explained the opening of the very fine work done & said she thoroughly enjoyed being with the women. She had just left the Chicago Missionary convention & told how they were preparing to entertain the Quadrennial. The Fall executive Board meeting is to be at St. Paul upon invitation of Mrs Anna Watkins.

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Richmond Indiana June 7 1917
Reception

Thursday evening preceding the opening session of the Womens Mite Missionary Society of the A.M.E. Church of the State of Indiana, the Presiding Elder of the Evansville District Rev. Morris Lewis; the Presiding Elder of the Richmond District, Rev J.P.L. Wallace and Rev J.L. Cravens, pastor of Bethel church, Richmond with the delegates and officers of said Society assembled at 8-30 at Bethel for a Reception given by the local church. Remarks by Rev. J. L. Cravens; Music by Choir. Invocation by Rev. Morris Lewis P.E. — Welcome address in behalf of Richmond District by Rev J.P.L. Wallace, P.E., who spoke at length of the great work of the missionary Society, of the vast territory it covered and of hundreds of dollars collected by them for the work. He further emphasized that the missionary work was not a war of blood shed and the making of orphans and widows, but it was a work which inspired many an individual to raise from the low things of life to a higher plain in the life and place their hope in The Great Missionary Christ, Concluding by extending a hearty Welcome to the convention. Trio, rendered by Mrs Mozel Hunter, Miss Marcella Wallace and Mrs Ella Davis, which was well rendered. Mrs Ellen Kelley extended Welcome in behalf of the Local Society of Richmond who cordially welcomed the convention to their homes, their church and their hospitality. Beautiful and impressive music was here rendered by the choir. Reading from Paul Laurence Dunbar, by Mrs Viviana Kelley Bass

Mrs Effie Bass then sweetly sang Mother Dear.

At this point, Mrs Gertrude B. Hill, our worthy State president responded to the addresses of Welcome and in well chosen words she spoke of the missionary inspiration she had received from such men as Lamar ~~and~~ the Rev. Townsend and others. She extended hearty thanks in behalf of the Officers and delegates to Rev J.P.L. Wallace P.E. and Mrs Ella Kelley for the Welcome extended.

Remarks by Rev J.L. Craven, afterwhich the committee of the local society supplied the convention with badges.

At the convention with the visitors assembled to the dinning hall and were served with ~~the~~ delicacies of the season.

Friday Morning Session

Devotional exercises conducted by delegates from Bethel Indianapolis and Bethel Richmond. The service was spiritually enjoyed by all.

Immidiately following this service the executive board and delegates registered and paid in ($1) One dollar to the local society to help pay expenses of the convention.

Mrs Susie Dyson and Mrs Snordon were asked to take up credentials.

At this point the president turned the meeting over to the presiding Elder, Rev J.P.L. Wallace of the Richmond District, who opened the service with responsive reading in the Ps. Rev Nickles, pastor of the Anderson church, announced the hymn "Blessed be the tie", which was sang by the convention

Prayer offered by Dr. Clark of Allen Chapel Indianapolis.

"Jesus shall lead me all the way" Sang by convention.

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~~Friday Morning~~

~~Devotional exercises conducted by delegates from Bethel Indianapolis and Bethel Richmond.~~

Scripture lesson: St Mark 11 ch. 20 vrs by Rev. J.P.L. Wallace P.E.

Singing - He leadeth me - Remarks by our state Pres. Mrs G.B. Hill, who presented Rev. Miss Mary G. Evans to the convention, who arose to preach the annual sermon. She prefaced her sermon by singing in a soul stirring manner. "Pass it on". She selected a clause from the 22nd vr of the 11 ch. of St Mark. "Have Faith in God".

Mrs Evans preached a strong and powerful sermon. She said in part; "that Christ expected more than talk; more than profession; more than show; more than pretense, strongly appealing to the convention to turn on Gods search-light and see to it that our lives produce fruit and not leaves only. She spoke at length upon the three words, "Whosoever, - Whatsoever - and whensoever, explaining the broad meaning of the word whosoever. She further stated that ones character to man must equal to ones faith in God. Concluding she painted a picture of selfish and an unselfish faith, emphasizing the thought to hold on to God with one hand and reach out for others with the the other, and encouragingly she said that Christ was coming by and by and until then, until then be faithful.

Singing - Since Jesus came into my heart was sang by convention.

The communion service was conducted

by Rev. J. P. L. Wallace P.E. — 64 persons communed. The service closed by repeating the Lords prayer in concert.

Resuming business, The president introduced. The sect. of the national department — Mrs E. A. Clark of Allen Chapel Indianapolis and miss Mason of Hillsboro and Miss Ida Miller of Indianapolis.

The convention expressed their appreciation by standing.

adjournment

Friday Afternoon Session

Devotional exercises conducted by Mrs Snorden, Allen Chapel Indianapolis.

Music, by convention Choir.

The president opened the business by appointing the following committees Credential — Resolution, condolence, courtesy, marshalls were Mrs Morgan Mrs Lick and Mrs McCullock.

Mrs Eva Taylor was appointed as reporter to the church papers and to the Indianapolis recorder.

Roll call of officers and members — 34 present.

Rev. Rev Lewis. P.E. of Evansville District having to leave on an early train asked to say a word. He was introduced by the president and spoke briefly concerning the work in the Evansville District.

The Credential committee made a partial report, through their sec. Mrs E. Cottman.

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Reports of the auxillaries of the Richmond District were called for.

Music — He lifted me, by Choir

An address was given by Mrs Carrie E. Wells of Lafayette on "The Spirit of the hour." It was a good paper and full of thought. She spoke of the spirit of the hour in relation to the war, the high cost of living and ~~spoke~~ especially of ~~effects~~ Social and political life.

The paper was discussed by Mrs Taylor from Logansport who confined her remarks chiefly to the missionary work and suggested stronger organization on the part of the ~~Missionaries~~ to cope with the spirit of the hour.

A paper. — The best way to teach the people that relief instead of flowers is missionary work read by Mrs Mae Gaskin of Kokomo. This was an interesting paper and was discussed at length by the delegates and visiting pastors. Many good things were brought out in the discussions, and the one thought impressed upon the convention was to let God lead you and not over do in any line.

A Paper. — Is it more money, or is it a broader conception and deeper spirituality this is most needed to foster our work. This was a most excellent paper read by Mrs O. S Shannon, Bethel Marion, who stated in part, That consecrated lives; deeper spirituality and more money than we were getting at present, together with a broader conception were needed to foster our work.

This paper was discussed by Mrs E. A. Clark

Mrs Eva Taylor, Rev J. Nickles and L L. Craven and others.

Mrs Mason of Gilbertsville was introduced and spoke briefly on the last paper read, stating that at her home in West Africa she felt the money was greatly needed to foster the missionary work there.

Music, "There shall be showers of blessings by the convention choir.

Benediction by Rev. Clark of Indianapolis

Friday Evening Session opened with music by convention choir

Invocation, Rev. Nickles, Pastor of Anderson Ind. was Singing "He is mine by the Coppin Quartette composed of Rev Miss Ida Mullen, Katherine Samuels, Carrie Gillis and Rev Miss Mary Evans.

"Sweeter as the years go by" was also thankfully sang by convention choir.

Address - Mrs Eva Taylor of Allen Temple Marion, Ohio Spoke of the many hindrance of the progress of the missionary work. She emphasized that we should be narrow in missionary spirit and financial assistance, and should feel, we are our brothers keeper at home and in the foreign fields.

Solo - No Cross, but Crown was very impressively rendered by Mrs A. Shannon Marion Indiana.

Here the convention was favored with an excellent reading by Mrs Vivian Ross.

Music, 'His Eye is on the Sparrow, by the convention choir.

Address by Rev. E.A. Clark, Allen Chapel Indianapolis.

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Rev. Clark was very interesting, confining his remarks to the Black race. He spoke of the Gospel especially to the race of Christ-love; of the message given to Philip to go to Gaza and of the Eunuch's and earnestness to find Christ and how he carried the message back to Africa. Concluding by stating that could not forget the least one of his own. He also stated that there was no home & foreign missionary work with God. The most important work is that which Gods spirit gives us to do. and that missionary work was the heart of religion.

Offeratory 5.25

Benediction, Rev. Clark of Indianapolis

Saturday Morning Session

Devotional exercises, conducted by mrs Eva Taylor, Allen Temple and Miss Ida Eastwood, Vincennes.

Owing to the illness of the president Mrs J. S. Cravens, the 2nd Vice president presided, at the opening of the business session.

Singing 'Joy to the world' Convention chor. The minutes of Tuesday Eve., Friday morning, afternoon and Evening were read and adopted.

A well prepared paper on "Missionary needs and how we may meet them", was read by Mrs Taylor of Logansport

This paper was discussed by Mrs Hall of Anderson

The thoughts brought out in these papers

was – A great need of devout workers who are willing to seek where missionary work is most needed; to go the fallen; the orphans and widows, and do their utmost to supply their needs both spiritually and temporaly and that we should be willing to suffer if need be for the lost and needy.

Solo – Jesus is all the world to me by Miss Beck of Indianapolis.

Paper – The need of a better organization to cope with the state of the country, read by Mrs Roberts, Noblesville. Which covered the moral, social and religous needs of our missionary work

At this point, the pastor of the 2nd Baptist church, Rev Goins, was introduced to the convention. He urged that all Christians should wear the stamp of Christ on their foreheads that the world might know them.

Singing – "O make me clean" by convention choir.

Rev. J. L. Craven rose and made some very timely remarks upon, Love thy neighbor as thy self.

Repot of Auxiliaries were again called for.

Evansville District report – (see financial report)

Communication was read from Crawfordsville.

Rev. P. L. Wallace P. E. of Richmond District made instructive remarks upon missionary work, the local assesments and along spiritual lines.

Repot of Mothers department presented through its Chairman. Mrs Hinz of Indianapolis

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Report of Junior department presented through its Chairman Mrs. Dampson Indianapolis

On Motion each report was adopted.

Adjournment

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Saturday Aft. Session

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. L. Nickles & Anderson, Mrs J. Ewing & Fountain City and Mrs Burdsall of Franklin. This service was very Spiritual

The business session was opened with singing by choir.

Paper, 'Hearing and doing'. Read by Mrs Phillips, delegate from Bethel Indianapolis.

This topic was continued by a paper read by Miss Millie Malory delegate from Lafayette. These papers spoke strongly on concerning hearing and doing the good and uplifting things in life and turning a deaf ear to the evil degrading things

Paper, 'Little faults that spoil our lives. Read by Mrs Coltman, St Paul Indianapolis

Papers on the same subject by delegates from Vincennes, Evansville and Fountain City.

A Partial financial report by the Cor Sect

Richmond District (see Report

Evansville District (see Report

Indianapolis District (see report)

Papers. The beauty and nobility of gratitude. French Lick
Music
Paper Why inventions of New Ways to inspire old truths are needed in our missionary work, Mrs Inez Brown of Richmond
She suggested the forming of classes of young people and study the missionary work, especially the foreign work.
Mrs Eva Taylor of Allen Temple Marion discussed this paper. She spoke of the progress of civilzation in all vocations of life and put great stress on the fact, that the missionary organization should use the very best methods and ways in order to get good and lasting results.
Paper \ The need of a better organization to cope with the state of the country by the delegate from Carthage.
Mrs E.A. Clark, Supt of the national department addressed the convention. Mrs Clark gave a splended address. She spoke a great deal of our work in Africa. She also spoke of the how we needed the the Africans and how they needed us.
Singing the convention Choir.
The Committee on Rescue Work gave its report through Mrs Susie Dixon
On motion the report was adopted
Communication with greetings were read from Mrs V Evans of Bloomington Ind. E.S. Woodson, Supt of the Ohio Branch and from Mrs S.C. Becket Cor. Supt of the W. P. M. M. S. These letters expressed a great desire for the progress of the work.
Adjournment

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Saturday Evening Session

After singing by the convention choir,

The Presiding Elder immediately entered the election of officers by ballot

The Election resulted as follows

Pres. — G. B. Hill.
1st V. Pres — Stella Faust.
2nd V. Pres. — Della Cravens
Cor. Sech. — K. Samuels
Record. Sech — Alice Dyson
Treas — Susie Dyson

Executive Board

Eva Taylor
C. Shannon
C. Willis
Mayme Carlyle
Minnie Eastwood
Mrs M. T. Heinz Chairman of Workers dept.
" Sampson Chairman of Junior dept.

Sunday Morning

Sunrise prayer meeting 4-30 led by Mrs Susie Dyson, Mrs M. Carlyle and Mrs C. Willis and surely a Pentecostal shower was enjoyed by all.

10 A.M. Memorial Service, conducted by Susie Dyson. Manon.

Singing "And are we yet alive"
Prayer Eva Taylor
Solo and Chorus — In that City, Rev Mrs Ida Mae Miller
Scripture reading, Mrs Cortman
Report of Condolence Committee presented through Mrs McLenlough, Carthage

Singing, 'Asleep in Jesus,' Chorus
Mrs Susie Dyson Eulogized on the lives of Mrs M. Arnette national offices
R. Johnson V. Pres national
Mrs Mary Hunter Executive board dead
Mrs T. E. Nelson wife of Rev T. E. Nelson
Duet.—'Be thou my Guide' Mrs. Snowden and Katherine Samuels
Mrs Della Craven Eulogized on the lives of Sister Rosa Johnson.
Mrs Phillips on the lives of Mrs Mary S Hunter and the ~~deceased~~ deceased from Bethel.
Mrs McCullough on the life of Rev Sampson.
Mrs Stella Faust } in behalf of Rebecca
Mrs A. Gunslow } Cranshaw
Mrs Eva (Faulcon) and Hall } in behalf of Jessie Boyles
of Anderson.
Singing — It is well with my soul
By Consent the report of the condolence committee was adopted.
This Ch[illegible]

11 o'clock Service
This service was conducted by Rev J. S. Craven, Pastor of Bethel, Richmond
Singing — "I will arise and go," Chorus
Responsive reading
Singing — 'O for a faith'
Prayer — Mrs Carrie Stokes
Scripture Reading 3rd ch. John
Hymn — Decalogue
Announcements.

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Here the pastor introduced the State president, who arose and delivered her annual address, which was full of inspiration. She spoke of the hindrances, disappointments and discouragements but advised to - martin them to fight ass until the end. She also stated that duty was higher and better than happiness She spoke briefly of temperance and of the loyalty of the negro to his country and its flag, at this point the choir sang "Fierce and wild the storm is raging with her. She then proceeded her address which made it very impressive.

Solo 'Jesus loves me' by little 4 yr old Naomi Elizabeth Cosby

Sermon by Rev L. S. Craven Text Matt 14 ch 18 v - Bring them to me He spoke of the great miracles of Jesus when the loaves of Bread and fed the multitude. He also stated that Christ wants us to bring to him our talent, time, energy and friends to him that He may use them to his glory. He emphasized the fact that Gods dealing with the world was a personal matter. He spoke of the starting of the early Church, how John sought Jesus and brought his brother Andrew and Andrew Simon and so on through the ages each one bringing another until the great consummation.

Here Mrs Ida Mann so powerfully and beautifully sang: "I've been lifted

Offeratory - Doxology - Benediction

Sunday Afternoon.

Immediately following the Sabbath school Miss Amanda Mason gave her lecture on Siberia, her native home, describing costumes and habits of her people and she made an earnest appeal for financial and spiritual aid for her people.

Mrs C. Shannon, Katherine Samuels, L Snorden and Marie Coleman.

The president then introduced Mr L Chase of S. America and Y. A Kennedy of the west Indies. to the convention, who are now attending Wilberforce. They addressed the convention speaking chiefly of their respective homes.

The convention arose expressing their appreciation

Offeratory 12-50 Benediction

Sunday Evening Session

A very impressive candle light service conducted by the president.

Singing - We shall know as we are known

~~Repeat~~ the regular order of service a Sermon was preached by Ida May Miller. Text Jesus thou son of David have mercy on me

Mark 10-47

Subj. waiting on the Lord.

Rec. Sec't. Miss Alice Dyson
Mrs G. B. Hall Pres.

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Thurs. Evening the local church gave a most excellent reception to all delegates present. The Singing responses were of the highest character showing great preparation and talent.

Friday 8 00 A.M. June 21 1918

The twenty-first Session of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society of the A. M. E. Church, State of Ind. was held at St Paul A. M. E. Church, Indianapolis Ind. June 20th, 22nd and 23 1918

The Devotional Exercises were led by Mrs Mary Tester of Crawfordsville one of our early workers and Sister Carrie Price of Allen Temple Marion. The meeting was full of spiritual fervor and thus the pace of the convention was set. and we were all able to exclaim in the language of our Motto "A victory has been won but our Mission is not done."

9.00 o'clock the regular Session was opened by Rev. C. H. Jackson P. E. and visiting ministers. The chorus Onward Christian Soldier was sung by the officers who marched in led by the Pres. Sister Gertrude B. Hill. The reading of the Ritulistic Service by the Rev. C. H. Jackson P. E. of the Indianapolis District.

(The Holy Communion) The Annual Sermon was presented by the Rev E. A. Clark pastor of Allen Chapel. Rev. E. A. Clark announced his text from Acts 11—19—20— Theme— The Mission church at Antioch

He stated in part:- Antioch was the first and great Mission church, The first church was the best, There is a decline in church work, We are not to lose hope by this fact but hope on for Christs Kingdom will surely come etc He painted a beautiful picture of Stephen the martyr, Stephens life was an emblem of victory. That Tribulation spelled Triumph.

He graphically described Antioch; a city of all nations all roads led to Antioch

which made it a great field for Missionary work. We were warned not to become one looking christians. Barnabus found Saul of Tarsus. Let each worker find the Sauls of their own home and unselfishly put him to work. He closed by saying it was the faith and courage of women that has brought about the wonder age of temperance and Missions.

The Holy Communion was administered by Rev. C.H. Jackson assisted by Rev. G.H. Butler, Rev. E. A. Clark. After appropriate remarks the P.E. Rev. C.H. Jackson pledging the support of the ministry turned the convention over to our beloved President Mrs. G.B. Hill. Solo He's My Friend was beautifully and impressively sung by Anna Becks of Allen Chapel.

The bar was fixed by the Pres. to include the 1st 4 seats from the altar.

The President announced the following Committees (1) Credential Com. Sarah Rutledford Bethel Ind'p'l's. Gertrude Motley Lafayette; Carrie Price Allen Temple, Marion; Annette White Allen Ch. Ind'p'l's.

(2) Marshalls Flora Moss, Bethel Marion; Ellen Kelley, Richmond;.

Roll call by Cor. Sect Mrs Kathrine Samuels. Mayme Coryle, Stella Foust, Alice E. Dyson absent. The later's place as Recording Sect was temporaly filled by Eva M. Taylor. Marion.

Announcements.

Adjournment for dinner.

Friday 2:00 P.M.

Devotional led by delegate from Hobomo and Spruce St Terre Haute Logansport absent.

Report of Com. on Credentials as follows:-

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Credential Report:-

Indianapolis District
Bethel Ind'pl's — Mrs Rulleford Crawfordsville — Mary A. Tester; Logansport — No delegate Frankfort no report; Rockville no Report Lafayette Mrs Motley; Plainfield — Mrs McCulley; Princeton — C.S. Williams (see Report Franklin Miss Burden. Noblesville — Mrs Roberts; Greencastle No report. Clinton Mrs Bishop.

Evansville District:-
Allen Ch. Terre Haute — Mrs Walker; Spruce St Terre Haute Mrs Simms. Vincennes Miss M. Long; Washington Report sent; Corydon — Report sent; French Lick, Mrs Morgan, Lyle — — — —.

Richmond District:
St John Mrs Hall
Bethel Marion Mrs Moss.
Allen Temple Marion Carrie Price
Hopson Mrs Smith
Muncie Miss Durette.
Anderson Mrs Hall.
Portland Miss Avery.
Carthage - Report sent.
Richmond Miss Bailey
Allen Chapel Ind'pl's. Mrs Green

Report was adopted

Mrs G.B. Hill our President was presented by, and gave one of her characteristics addess in which all of the delegates were inspired to lift the banner higher and march on in spite of any obstacle to victory. She paid a timely and a great tribute to our Negro Soldiers (applause) (Aplause) This proved to be one of her best lectures both men — women and children were

inspired.

Other Committees:- List of.

Credential Sarah Rellford, Gertrude Motley, Carrie Price, Mabel Durett, Annett White.

Marshalls:- Flora Moss, Ellen Kelley, Anna Burton, Cora Walker, Anna Sims, Nancy Roberts.

Resolutions Mrs J. L. Bishop; Ida Roberts; Lottie Snorden; Maude Smith; Mayme Long.

Condolence:- Anna Watkins; Kitty Hall; G. A. Ratliffe; Esther McCulley; M. A. Tester.

Courtesy:- Ona Bailey; Anna Becks. Carrie Hill; Larcenia Green.

2:00 P. M. Continued:- The following excellent papers were presented and discussed. Paper "The Abuse and Misuse of Talents Mrs Ash Shannon Bethel Marion discussed by delegates from Nobles - Mrs Roberts; Muncie - Mrs Durette; Clinton absent Mrs Bishop absent;

Music (2)

Paper - How can We Best Enhance The Junior Department delegate from Bethel

Song - Choir Shall we gather at the River.

(Lost Creek, Greensburg Lyle no delegates)

Mrs Maude Smith of Kokomo Presented the above paper in a splendid manner telling us that the Seniors should assist the Juniors. The President Advised all societies to advance the Juniors to the Seniors dept. as soon as they were capable.

Mrs. Lottie Snorden followed by saying to get the confidence of the Juniors through the confidence of their parents so they will trust you with their children. Be kind to the Juniors, love them, Give Socials etc. She proved herself an excellent Junior Pres.

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(3) Paper "The Spiritual Uplift Gained by Giving Service" by delegate from Crawfordsville Mrs M.A. Tessler she responded in her usual intelligent and fervent manner showing that experience means power and influence. A weak christian gives but little service. The christian must and will take higher ground than the hypocrit. The Nation call upon us to do our bit to save Democracy so the Lord calls for our bit to save souls. Prov. 31 The power of a virtuous woman Bible quotations gave power to her thought.

Allen Chapel in the person of Mrs Annette White read a forceable paper upon the above subject exhorted us to go into the slums to lift the fallen. Too often we neglect the fallen but go to our select fed. Lottie Johnson Pres of Blackwell M.S.; Rev. L. H. Ralliffe Rev. A. Collman pastor of St Paul spoke upon the subject.

Announcements
Adjourned for supper

Friday 8.00 P.M. Night Service
Rev. C.S. Stilliams being late the subject was opened by Carrie E. Hillis and Eva M. Taylor each did justice to the occasion.

Rev. C. S. Stilliams arrived from Hilberforce he gave his address. The Spirit of the hour as it appeals to me. with great earnestness!

Solo Mrs Georgiana Cottman.
Reading Miss Ada Jordan.
Music. Announcements. Adjournment by the Pastor Rev. A. Cottman.

Sat. A.M. 8:15 The devotional Ex. ver

were led by the delegate from Lafayette Mrs Motley and delegate from Muncie Mrs. Durette. Idelegate from Allen Chapel, Mrs Greene and from Spruce St Terre Haute Mrs Sims.

The Presidents Hour conducted by Mrs Stella Craven was a great intellectual and Spiritual success many presidents were present and took an active part.

Paper:- The need of the hour real Gospel as Evidenced in the Worlds war No delegate from Logansport the paper was presented by Mrs Bailey of Richmond The discussion followed by Mrs Walker Green of Allen Chapel Terre Haute, Mrs Carrie Price Allen Temple Marion; and Mrs McCutley of Plainfield.

Paper:- Is Fasting Essential to Religious Growth. was opened by Mrs Motley of Lafayette. followed in discussion by Mrs Hall of Anderson, Mrs Retherford of Bethel Indpls. Mrs Burden of Franklin, Miss Mayne Long of Vincennes. Mrs M. Morgan French Lick. This was a very enthusiastic subject and was then opened to the house the main speakers being P. E. C. H. Jackson and Mrs A. Cottman of St. Paul. These two made strong speeches the latter for fasting the former against.

Music by Convention Choir.

Paper what the A. M. E. Church has done for Missions in Foreign Lands. opened by Mrs Smith of Kokomo. followed by delegate from St Paul, Spruce St. Terre Haute, and Bethel Marion.

Music by Convention choir.

adjourned for dinner.

2:00 P. M.

Devotional which was very spiritual was led by The Mother and Junior

departments.
Paper:- How Can we Best Arouse The Slackers in Missionary Work? was opened by the delegates of Clinton Mrs Bishop the delegates upon this subject being absent the convention freely discussed it.
Mothers hour followed —
Junior department — both were extellent.
Report of Treasuary. Report of Cor. Secty.
Election of officers resulted as follows
President Mrs G.B. Hill
1st vice Ella Craven
2nd Vice ~~Mrs~~ Ida Foust
Cor. Secty Katherine Samuels
Recording Secty. Era M. Taylor
Treas Susie Dyson
Ex. Board.

By vote of the Convention there was to be no Convention in June of 1919 on account of High Cost of Living brought on by the war. but Allen Chapel in 1920.
Announcement. Adjournment.
8:00 P.M Friday.
Concert given by Local Junior for benefit of Miss A. Mason at Wilberforce.
Sunday Sunrise Prayer Meeting
Conducted by Sister Carrie E. Hillis; Era M. Taylor and Sister . Sampson. was a spiritual feast many came to the early meeting.
Memorial Servic 9:30
10:30 Preaching by Pastor of St. Paul. Subject Missions The Choir furnished

excellent music the Convention was lifted by this soul stirring Sermon by Rev A. Cottman
3:30. Devotional led by Sister Susie Lyon.
Music by Allen Chapel Choir.
Address by D.C. Steady.
Music – Offering. Adjournment
8:00 P.M. Sunday The Candle Light service was as usual full of Spirit conducted by the President, officers and convention. all visitors took an active part.
Sermon by Chas. Wadkins
Music by the choir (Convention choir).
Offering. Report of the Committee on Resolutions. Installation of Officers
Adjourned to meet in 1920 at Allen Chapel.

G. B. Hill President
Eva M. Taylor Rec. Secty.

Indianapolis Ind.
June 3, 4, 5–6. 1920.

The Twenty-Second Session of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society of the A.M.E. Church met at Allen Chapel Ind'p'ls. Rev. J.P.L. Wallace pastor.
Thursday 3 o'clock the delegates began to arrive and showed great enthusiasm as there was no convention in 1919.
8:30 P.M. Thursday :- The Local Society of Allen Chapel Mrs A. Wadkins president tendered the Convention a reception which was appreciated by all.
Friday June 4–8:45–9:45 A Mass Meeting was conducted by all Evangelists and visiting Missionary leaders Those present

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were Mary G. Evans, Ida M. Myller D.C. Martha J. Keys; Carri E. Hillis; Hannah J. Nichols; Mrs. Carrie Patton. Era M. Cottman
The opening Service was conducted by—
(Rev. C. H. Jackson P. E. of the Richmond District)
Ex P.E. Rev. J.P.D. Wallace as the Presiding Elder Rev. Jackson was attending the Council for presiding Elders at Leobnck Iowa.
The ministers present were G. H. White. T. H. Stoner; G. H. Butler; J. M. Nickles; L. M. Ratliffe; F. M. Everton.

(other ministers present during the session were P. E. A. Cottman J. L. Craven. E. S. Williams; G. W. Williams. A. M. Taylor of A. M. E. Zion Church. "Raymond Taylor Evangelist)

The annual Sermon was delivered by Evangelist Ida May Myller. Text Ps. 20-7.
Some trust in chariots, some in horses but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.
Subject the Absolute Refuge. A most excellent soul stirring Sermon.

The Holy Communion was administered by Ex. Presiding Elder and pastor of allen Chapel Rev. J.P.D. Walldee assisted by the Ministers present.

At 1:30 Friday the Devotional was led by delegates from Richmond and Bethel Indpls Evansville.

Report of Committee on Credentials delayed.

Annual Message by State President uds one of the best ever ddivered It was a wonderful message containing everthing of the hour. She compared the Missionary Society to the flower the Night blooming Cereal which budddd and bloomed in a single night so our work with come to it ouhn. Character must be formed if we hold a place among women. Anjust criticism helps to bring out

(Roll call all officers responded but the following who were absent. Foust, Bishop, Eastwood, Shannon)
(Motion to adopt Presidents message and give to Committee on Message carried —)

of one what lies hidden. Selfishness is a handicap to our work take the Christ like spirit. The women had not given any great complaint against the church they had always loved and made a great sacrifice but now the women are beginning to feel that Taxation with Representation was unjust. And many other truths were given us by our honored President.

Sister Mary E. Handy National president of the Mite Missionary Society of Baltimore Md. was present through out the Session gave two excellent addresses, was given the courtesy of the convention and thus stimulated our work in many ways.

I Paper—Our Slogan—Be a Missionary where you are was opened by the delegate from Lafayette. and discussed by St. John Ind'p'ls. Anderson, Clinton Jeffersonville.

Report of Societies of Indianapolis District the following charges reported. Bethel Ind'p'ls. St. Paul (no society) but reported money Coppin no report. Lafayette Crawfordsville. Logansport absent. Plainfield sent a report, (Greencastle — Lost Creek) no report. Clinton reported Peru, Lewis ch; Madison & Hanover no report.

II Paper— How can we reach and save thru the church those of our Members coming from the south. This paper was presented by Bethel Ind'p'ls Mayne Gardener. followed by delegate from Spruce St Terre Haute Mrs Simms. By delegate from Kokomo.

Report of Societies of Richmond District The following reported Muncie (Bethel). Kokomo Fountain City; Portland; Carthage Allen Chapel. Richmond.

III Paper omitted.

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Friday evening 8:00 P.M.
Invocation Rev. A. M. Taylor.
I Paper — Christian Democracy" Sarah Releford.
Sec. Mrs G. Cottmars.
The State President Mrs G. B. Hill introduced the National President Mrs Mary F. Handy who spoke at length. Telling of the work of the National Society. She said "The women should be allowed to send their money to the proper place to our work well for 3½ year then ask for our rights. "She desired a woman from Ind. on the National Board." "Pray for Union of our two great Societies." "Told of the Old Folks Home of Baltimore under the Baltimore Conference over which she was the conference Matron.
And many others points of interest were given by Mother Handy.
Music.
II Paper — How Our Missionary Funds are divided by Mrs Leota Snorden.
Music — Announcement, Adjournment.

Sat. June 5 — 8:45 A.M.
The Devotional Ex were led by Sisters Moss of Bethel Marion assisted by delegates of Crawfordsville and Allen ch. Terre Haute.
The Presidents Hour — Conducted by Sister Susie Alyson State Treas. was a feast of good things 91 local presidents took part. Helpful suggestions were given all took notes and this will prove a help to the state work.
I Paper — "Does the Sinner Want the Church to Change its Standard of Christianity or Christians to Live up to the Standard a powerful paper was presented by Mary E. Black of Noblesville and was a powerful Negative No Discussion followed by the convention.

At this point P.E. Coltman of the Indpls District having just arrived from the Council at Keokuk Ia. Rev. S.C. Chase of Georgetown British Guiana S.A. and Dr. C.S. Williams of Bethel Indpls. were introduced to the convention and each in a few stirring remarks told of their work and encouraged the women in their work of Missions.

Music by Convention choir.

A Paper – Life Purposes that are Worth While" was presented by delegate from Franklin, a most excellent paper and caused all to reflect if we were accomplishing the purpose for which we were born.

Greetings were then read by the Cor. Sect. from Stella Foust 2nd Vice of Hoboms. 25¢ dues were sent. also Greetings from the State Fed. of Woman's Clubs read by Mrs G.B. Hill.

By consent they were accepted.

Leota Snowden President of the State Mothers Department brought the best report ever given The total being $79.36.

Report of the Educational Department by Sarah Releford showed a large increase over last year See report

The Cor. Sect Read the financial report by Districts $225.55 Indianapolis District $41 Evansville District - $337.55 Richmond District.

At this point Mother Mary F. Handy spoke in interest of The St. Mite Missionary Recorder Fort Scott Kan. She paid a tribute to our President Mrs G.B. Hill and passed some literature on our work.

Announcements; adjournment.

Sat. June 5 – 1:30 P.M.
Devotional Exp. led by P.E. A. Coltman.
National Pres. Mary F. Handy in the Chair

Report of Com. of Pres. Message called for!
The message was carefully reviewed and adopted by consent of the Convention.
Motion to have the message printed in pamplet form and sold to assist the State Treas. carried.

Sister Craven spoke of the donation to Wilberforce for 1919 and gave her report. See Report.

I Paper — Charity an Essential Element to True Missionary Endeavor by our Youngest delegate Mary Elizebeth Patterson a quotation from her paper "Charity begins at home but does not end there. (not discussed)

Solo by Mrs G. Cottman

Report of Juniors See Reports.

II Paper — The Promise To Those who consider the Poor. By Delegate from Bethel Marion The discussion by (St Paul Indpls pastor).

French Lick.

Solo by Carrie E. Hollis a soul stirring song. "When We Get to the End of the Way".

Report of Co. Sec. to be finished Sun.

III The Community's Claim Upon the Local Society. was discussed by the Convention. opened by Mrs McCullough.

Music by the Convention Choir. Enthusiastic was the singing He Lifted Me. led by Evangelist Ida M. Myller.

IV How Can We Account for too Little Interest in the M. M. S. in our Churches This Paper was opened by the delegate from Richmond discussion led by the delegate from Carthage.

Music.

The Election was held with Mrs Mary E. Handy N. Pres. Mo M. S. in the chair which resulted as follows Pres. Mrs G. B. Hill

1st. Vice President Della Craven
2nd Vice Pres. Stella Foust
Cor. Sect. Katherine Samuels
Rec. Sect. Eva M. Cottman.
Treas Sarah E. Relerford.
Ex Board Anna Sims
Mayme Morgan
Cabie E. Hellis
Mary E. Black.
Julia M. Davis
Pres. Art. Department Terressa Heinzo
Pres. Junior Depart. Levata Snorden
" Education Dept. Annette White.
" Mothers Dept. Anna Hadkins
Parlimentarian Miss Lucile Murphy

The Courtesy Com. Mrs Annetta White Chair showed a large number of visitor had been introduced to the convention. Among whom were Dr. Rev. Chase missionary to South America. Thirteen $12.56 was given by the Convention to aid him in his work. All minister present were introduced. Mrs Grigsby Anderson from the Baptist Church. Mrs Duvall of the Juvanile Court Indpls Mrs Mary F. Handy of the National Body Rev + Mrs A. M. Taylor of the A.M.E. Zion Church and many Evangelist the visiting ones being Martha J. Keys of West Ky. Conference. Mary G. Evans of Ind. Conference. Ida M. Miller of Ind. Conf. and others mentioned elsewhere in this minute.

The Chair of the Junior reported $56.00 to the Convention.

The Cor. Sect. spoke of the Lamp Shade Contest to be held next year.

By vote from the Convention

the next meeting place was to be at Noblesville. (Cof. board in april at Lobsons with Mrs Stella Foust)

Mrs. G. B. Hill
State President
Eva M. T. Cottman
Recording Sect.

The Proceedings were
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Noblesville, Indiana, June 9-10-11-12/1921

The 23 Session of the Womans Mite Missionary Society of the A.M.E. Church met on the above date with Sister Ida Roberts Pres. of the local Society and Rev. H. H. Black Pastor.

The following was the program of the excellent reception tendeled the delegates Thursday evening to the appreciation of all present.

Voluntary Miss Edith Newsom.
Selection Bethel Choir.
Invocation Rev. G. W. Gore Second Baptist.
Welcome in behalf of the city Rev. Black.
Welcome from church + M.S. Mrs I. Roberts.
Welcome in behalf of the District P.E.
Rev. A. Cottman
Solo Mr. John Black.
Response Miss Lucile Murphy State Par.
Solo Mrs H. Howard. Mrs J. Howard
Mr. J. Howard.
Redding Mrs I. W. Avery.
Solo Mrs Beatrice O'Neil
Mrs Ida Avery Chair
Mrs Belle See
Mrs B. O'Neil.

Friday June 10 — 8:45 — 9:45 A.M.
The Opening Session was full of interest.

The opening Exercise was conducted by Rev. A Cottman P.E. of Indianapolis District.

Roll call. Appointment of Com. by the President of our State work Mrs G.B. Hill. who presented Rev. A. Cottman to preach the Annual Sermon in the absence of Rev. J. L. Craven who was sick.

Holy Communion by P.E. A. Cottman assisted by the following Rev. W. L. Shannon of Kokomo. who lined

"All Hail The Power of Jesus Name.
Invocation by Rev. A. E. Taylor of Anderson
Chorus by the Choir: "All Hail Emanuel".
Song. Love Lifted Me was sung with much spirit.
Scripture Reading Psalm 96 by P. E. A. Cottman.
All Evangelist and ministers were invited to the altar.
Rev. Cottman took as a text Ps. 96. 3 'Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people. He prefixed his sermon by saying "Women do not know the extent of their influence, that they were making it possible for the World's Evangelism."
This is a summons to missionary work. The ministry may be certain that God will fulfil his promise to be with all who preach or do his command. He spoke of the matter of disarmament being or could be solved by the church. That statistics show that most of the persons in prison are church members showing the failure of the church in doings its work.
Many other powerful and helpful statements were given in this soul stirring sermon.
In the absence of Mrs Stella Craven 1st Vice Mrs Susie Alyson was appointed to fill the vacancy pro. tempore. Mrs L. Snorsota den filled Mrs K. Samuels place she being absent on account of the illness of her sister.
Mrs Carrie E. Stelles member of the Executive Board, absent on account of illness.
The State Pres. G. B. Hill explained briefly the Motive of each department and ask the mothers to hold on to their children more firmly in this age.
The heads of each department were

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given a few minutes to speak of her work.
Announcements.
Noon rest. Dinner served by Young men of Robbsville.

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1:30 P. M.

Devotion: Song - "Higher Ground" A feeling prayer offered by Sister M. A. Kendrick of Bethel Ind'p'l's.
Solo and Chorus led by Asa Shannon of Bethel Kokomo: "Somebody Did a Noble Deed."
Roll call: 24 delegates present at this time.
The Pres. G. B. Hill appointed the following Committees: Credential Laura Coleman; M. A. Kendricks; Julia Davis; Alice Cheatham; Katie Neal
Resolutions: Flossie Bailey; Alice E. Mitchell; Marcelite Crocket; Lucile Murphy.
Courtesy: Ida Roberts; Martha Davis; Estella Watts.
Condolence: Anna B. Jones; Grace Garner; M. P. Carlyle; Anna Burton; Cordelia Moore.
President's Address: I. A. Hodson; Esther Vertreace.
Pages: Juneta Watkins Elizabeth Cheatham
Reports of Districts:
Evansville: The following Socities reported: Franklin; New Albany (by letter).
Jeffersonville; Mt. Vernon by letter; Bedford; Corydon; Evansville
Receipts $11.00

I Paper. "Do we feel the need of greater Missionary Effort, since we have Bishops Brooks and Vernon in the foreign Fields. The following delegates responded to this paper Estella Watts Allen Chapel; Julia M. Davis of Franklin; M. P. Carlyle of Kokomo; Esther Vertreace

of Jeffersonville; Anna P. Sims; G. B. Hill and Estl M. Cottman.
Chorus: "Jesus Is all The World to Me".

The report of Rev. H. Chenault was delayed until his district was called.

Sister Stella Foust, 2nd Vice President, then presented Mrs. G. B. Hill, State Pres. who in her womanly manner delivered her annual address: It was a carefully prepared, literary production. She termed her co-workers (heroines) exhorting us to study our communities, lay them off into blocks; place a worker over each block to know what is taking place; put Christ into your Community work; seek more of Christ and less of honor. Our Pres. had written 125 letters and many card thus keeping in touch with the work and workers. She paid a fitting tribute to our sainted dead: Bishop Tyre; Revs. Ratliff; Butler; sister Bishop and little Helen Davis, daughter of Rev. & Mrs. A. H. Davis.

At this point the Convention arose to their feet and sang, led by sister Leola Snorden, "Abide with me" in sympathy for the absent workers — Rev. J. L. Craven and wife. K. Samuels. Carrie E. Hillis.

Pres. G. B. Hill continues her message telling at length of her visit to the National Body at Tuskeegee. A great tribute was paid Booker T. Washington. In fact her message embraced every thing of the hour.

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Recommendations:

1. Join the N. A. A. C. P.
2. Observe Clean Up Day.
3. Boycott segregation.
4. Dress reform.
5. Launch a Missionary Drive.

Rest 10 minutes.

The report of the Indianapolis District as follows: Bethel Indp'ls. $125.00
Plainfield $7.50
Noblesville (see Report)
Rockville 1.50
New Castle 3.00
Crawfordsville 11.00

Ex Paper: What are the Christian Women doing for the Redemption of the World? Anderson did not respond. Mrs Anna Sims responded for Spruce St. It was an address full of freedom she gave the evolution of Women in the church: The women are now awakening out of sleep; the Christian women are the reformers of the day; the Christian women are dressing with skirts of proper length and her waist is just low enough for freedom in breathing. St. Paul did not respond. Crawfordsville responded through her young delegate Miss Elizabeth Patterson. She told of women's work in the World's War; Women as Evangelists bringing others to Christ. St John responded through her delegate Miss Murphy, a talented young women. In part, she said: "Women are looking after the children in our homes and nurseries. Nurses are sent to the homes to look after the sick. Mother's Aid Societies are formed to see that children are properly schooled. Bible classes are being established by women etc.

The Report of the Richmond District! -

Richmond	$25.00
Allen Chapel, Indianapolis	$82.46
St. John	$16.00
Bethel, Marion	31.00
Allen Temple, Marion	25.00
Muncie 1st Church	35.00
Anderson	16.00
Kokomo	31.00

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Fountain City		7.00
Carthage	see Report	* 5.00
Alexander		1.00

Chorus: "Volunteer for Jesus" by Convention.
III Paper: "Strength of Union" Mrs. Kelley of Richmond open the subject with a paper, she showed first Unity of women in war, bussiness and world wide achevements. Evansville, represented by her delegate Mrs. Tina Hodson. she said: "Our missionary work will be in proportion as there is union of purpose".

Muncie's delegate was absent on account of sickness Mrs Martha White but she sent her paper. A thought from her paper: Work that is worthwhile is based on unity of effort. Strive to hear Gods voice before you undertake to do something worthy. This paper was nicely read by Mrs Anna B. Jones of Muncie.

The Pres. Mrs. G. B. Hill stated all money for the Young Girls Department be given to Sister Mary Evans, Evangelist, who had just arrived.

Mrs. Annette White spoke in behalf of "Educational Department".

The Chairman of the Courtesy Com. Mrs Ida Roberts, presented the following: Frank Scott; Isaac Scott; Anna Dempsey; Mira B. McCullough, Evangelist; Mrs B. Jameson; James Walker; Mary E. Roberts; Miss Ellen Kelley of Ind'p'ls. Rev. St. Chenault, pastor of Rockville. Mr. Hedgepath Vice. Pres of A.C.E. League of Noblesville; Veni Avery; Morris Avery

Sister Mira B. McCullough & Mr Hedgepath gave suitable and enthusiastic remarks

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Bro. Raymond Taylor, Evangelist sang feelingly "Take Your Burden to the Lord".

Adjournment for supper.

Friday 8 P.M Evening Session.

This session was preceeded by an enthusiastic song service by the convention led by sister Leota Snorden.

Solo: "The Holy City" Mrs. L. Snorden.

Lecture Trip to the Holy Land by Miss Mary G. Evans. She told us detail and with the choicest words, reaching a climax both from point of spirit and diction she held the large audience spell bound for one hour.

Announcements; adjournment.

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The Devotional was led the young Evangelist Miss Esther Vertreace of Jeffersonville Ind. This young women having answered the call early has a bright futur (D. V.) in His service!

She announced Hymn: "Blessed Assurance" sung with Spirit by the "Convention" which was followed by a fervent prayer by Miss Esther Vertreace. Song: "He Is My Friend". In prayer; Songs; Scripture Reading and testimony we were lifted to a higher plane of Christian experience; God came, our souls to bless and "Glory" crowned the Mercy-Seat!"

The President called for the Journal of Thurs. Evening; Fri. A. M. Fri. Afternoon On Motion the minutes were adopted with necessary corrections. Carried.

The President had the Cor. Sect. to recall the roll of Districts for the preperation of Memorial Ex. Sunday.

The order of the day was resumed.

Chairman of Department Hour led by Mrs. Annetta White of Indpls.

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After explaining the work of the Educational Dept. Mrs White called upon Sister Ida May Miller who said in part: Board bill was so necessary to be paid and many students needed helps such help (was or) had been greatfully received by me (Ida M. Miller) she made a strong plea for the Educational Dept; such heep would be a great asset coming back to the Mission work. I have given 1/10 of my earnings to help others as I have dedicated my life for service.

The President, G. B. Hill told how $10 was raised to loan Ida M. Milder and how Mrs Miller had repaid it.

Hillard Sanders was helped by Bethel Missionary Ind'pls

$100 was raised for Lyla worthy daughter of Rev. Frank Pettiford and Stella Pettiford Foust who gave their lives to the church.

Sister Stella Foust arose and pathetically thanked the Convention for their help to Lyla Pettiford. Ada M. Miller pledged her influence in aiding Lyla into a position.

Mrs Terressa Hennze of Ind'pls. spoke in interest of the Art Department asking for pieces of art.

Mrs Leota Snorden representing the Mothers department told of the many letters sent also read interesting replies from Mt. Vernon and Muncie she reported an increase from 1 to 7 societies.

Mrs Anna Hadkins told of the value of the Junior Dept. reporting 9 societies.

Paper: "How Can We Best Arouse the Missionary Spirit In Our Work? This subject was opend by Allen Temple represented by her delegate Mrs Alice E. Mitchell: In some cases luncheons

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were served but it did not arouse a Missionary Spirit. In order to arouse a Missionary Spirit one must get in touch with the Master; pray much, be cleansed and filled with the Spirit for real effective service. It brought forth a a great discussion. Speaking for and against too much serving. Anna Sims, Annetta Thute, Sarah Mannel, J. T. Hart, Kattie Neal, Julia Davis, Ellen Kelley, T. Heinze, Flossie Bailey took part in the discussion.

Mrs Leota Snorden reported 72.44 for the Mothers Department.

Paper: "The Relation of the Young People to the Church." Noblesville by Mrs Mary Black: The Young People are the reserve force of the church thus they must be kept in training. Marion, Bethel Church was represented by Mrs. Flossie Bailey: She compared the training during the World's War to Religious training. The Pharisee and true Christian were ably compared; weak christians discourage young people by too meager service; Give the young people something to place of the dance and harmful amusements.

These two able papers were followed by a report from the Junior Department Mrs. Anna Hadkins, Chairman. $60 was raised, cleared $57.04

Paper: "By What Means Can We Influence Our Young People in Missionary Work? Mrs. S. Mannell of Bethel Indpls. answed this question: "Place over them worthy and prepared leaders". The delegate from Carthage said: Youth is the age or period of life, joy; - Separation so give them leaders that can

stimulate and appeal to these emotions."
Adjourned for dinner

Saturday 1:30 P.M June 11, 1921
Devotional Ex. was conducted by the Executive Board. Song: "Draw Me Nearer" led by Sister Leota Snorden. Scripture Reading— 90 Ps. by Sister Anna Sims: Sister Sussie led with the song: "I Need Thee Every Hour". All sang feelingly. Prayer was fervently offered by Sister Mira B. McCullough, Evangelist, pastor of Greensburg Circuit.
All were ask to give bible quotations which were powerful and uplifting:
Paper:— The Home as a Religous Training Agent was given by Miss Crocket of Peru followed by the delegate from Corydon, Bedford's delegate Mrs Hart followed, each delegate stated that all homes were not Christian, but every child had a right to Christian training If the homes were Christian the Nations would be lifted out of crime, wars and shame toward God.
Solo. "Deep River" by Miss Zelma Beck Teacher of No 17 Indianapolis was greatly appreciated by all.
Address: "The Unfinished Task" given by Mr. Chas. Hadkins, Evangelist of Allen Chapel Ind'pl's: "The Emancipation is still an unfinished task although signed by Lincoln over 50 yrs ago. 16 Million young people need the loving touch of a Christian hand. The life of Daniel must be applied to day then we need not fear the "Lion's Den" or "Fiery Furnace". We must really possess salvation then we can finish the task. He made a plea for home + foreign Mission; our service must extend to all.

Begin again our work in Africa as our task remains unfinished."

~~Solo.~~ "Unanswered yet" was sung by Leota Snorden & Lucile Murphy which fittingly followed the Lecture of Bro. Chas. Hadkins.

Mrs Henze submitted a partial report from the Art Dept. Balance $11.55 this year over a balance of $4 last year.

The Y. G. Dpt. by Mary G. Evans $32.45.

The Educational Dept. Annetta White Chair. reported a balance of $59.39

The lamp shade was awarded by Annetta White to Flossie Bailey as her society (Bethel Marion) raised $15 the most for Education. The shade was made by Katherine Samuels.

Mrs Julia Davis in most fitting remarks presented in behalf of the convention a beautiful Electric Lamp

Chas Hadkins was presented $25 for his school work in appreciation for his manly Christian character.

Mrs Mary Black presented her Juniors the children of Bethel Noblesville "Allen Stars" in an excellent program closing with a dialogue showing the burdens often borne by Missionary Societies.

The Sect of Allen Stars of Noblesville assisted by Lucile Murphy, State Parliamentarian, took a offering of $3 00

The Allen Stars received the "State banner" of the Junior Department. Little Miss Bush their local pres. sweetly received it. Their collection amounting to $8.

The Committee on the State Presidents' "message" made their report. Motion to adopt. st. Carried.

Cor. Sect made her report See the report of 1921

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Treas report made by S. H. Relerford. See the report of 1921.

The President presented Mrs Ida Mae Myller to conduct the election.

The Credential Committee made their report being 34 delegates including State Officers. The report was adopted.

The election resulted as follows:

President G. B. Hall
1st. Vice. Della Craven
2nd Vice. Stella Foust
Cor. Sect. Katherine Samuels
Rec. Sect. Era M. T. Cottman
Treas. Sarah Relerford
Parliamentarian Lucile Murphy.
Executive Board
Mary Black Glossie Bailey
Anna Sims Julia Dodson
Esther Vertrace
Departmental Chairmen
Mothers — (Terressa Heinze) Leota Snorden
Educational - Annetta White
Art - Terressa Heinze
Juniors — Anna Hadkins
Civic - Julia Davis

By vote of the Convention the next session to be at Evansville.

Adjournment

Sunday June 12, 1921.

Sun rise prayer meeting conducted according to program led by Era M. Cottman, Leota Snorden, Lucile Murphy. It was largely attended and a great meeting.

At 9:30 Impressive Memorial

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were conducted by sisters Faust, Heinz, Davis and Black.

10:30 A powerful sermon was delivered by Evangelist Miss Esther Vertrace Text Render unto Caesar

Eva M. Cottman Rec. Sect. was granted a leave of absence Sunday after Sunrise prayer meeting.

Sunday 3:30 P.M. 1921

Devotionals.
Music.
Sermon, Miss L. M. Miller.
Music
Offering
adjournment.

Sunday 7:30 P.M.

Candle Light Service.
Sermon.
Music.
Offering.
Report of Committe on Resolutions.
Report of Financial Secretary
Installation of Officers.
Adjournment

The synopsis of this session was published in the Indianapolis Recorder. Christian Recorder and Woman's Missionary Recorder.

Mrs. G. B. Hill State President
Eva M. T. Cottman Rec. Sect.

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Thurs. 9:30 — A. M.

Evansville Ind. June 22. 1922.

The 24 Session of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society of the A. M. E. Church, Indiana Conference convened at Evansville Ind., at at Alexander A. M. E. Church, Rev. W. A. Perry, Pastor, Mrs Tina Dodson Local Pres.

The Convention was called to order by Rev. Abraham Cottman, P. E. of the Indianapolis District, in the absence of Rev. W. H. Giles, P. E. of the Evansville District, absent on the account of the sickness of his brother in N. Y.

Rev. Cottman announced Hymn No. The Convention sang with fervor. Scripture Lesson Is. 66 was read by Rev. Cottman. P. E. Prayer was offered by Rev Phelps of Vincennes A. M. E. Church.

P. E. Cottman presented Mrs. G. B. Hill, State President who then took charge and immediately present Rev. C. L. Upthegrove pastor of Spruce St. Terre Haute who was to preach the Annual Missionary Sermon. Rev. C. L. Upthegrove prefixed his sermon with the statement: "I will not ask for prayers now as it was too late; you should have prayed before the convention convened". This crisp and unusual statement drew our attention at once to prayer in advance; it also held our attention to what was to follow. Text St. John 14-8. "Show us the Father and it sufficeth us". Prayer is the only thing that disturbs God on His throne; A longing for God is a great need; It is a great opportunity for growth; Moses longed for God and as a result saw Him in the "burning bush"; On the Mount; Pillow of fire and cloud. In the cleft.

Rev. Upthegrove spoke out against the

dance: "The dance is a river through which adultry flows, cut off all tributaries leading to it." The sermon was powerful in that it taught us our duty to God, to the church and to each other.
Song: "More About Jesus". by the Convention.
The Holy Communion was given to all present.

It had been a long time since the State Convention had convened in this part of the State and for this reason the churches of the Evansville District had a larger representation than usual; to stimulate and encourage these societies was the prime motive for accepting an invitation from Evansville.

About 40 earnest workers responed to roll call and those who did not have the opportunity to respond were well prepared and eager to do their work well but owing to some misunderstanding between the pastor Trustees and the local society our convention of 4 days was cut to two days session.

Thurs 1:30 P. M.

I Paper: How Can We Awaken the Missionary Spirit in Every Member of the Church?
Mrs Elizebeth M. Burress of Vincennes said in her paper: "Give a Missionary program last Sun. in each month; Have a mite-box with a motto the latter to be changed each month."
Mrs Allie Cheatham; Bethel Indianapolis said: "Send notices of your work to every pastor; Hospital; Slum work; Young Business Women's Meeting; Rainy Day Program. Support T. B. Clinics; Employment Bureau. Divide your Society into Departments and give every person a duty to perform. She named 7 Dept's. This paper showed resourcefulness and the power of organization.

paper etc.

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Esther W.. Culley of Plainfield showed how "faith added to works would bring about a better Spirt of Missions. Hath the Spirit of the Christ life we can get a vision of greater home and foreign work."

General Discussion: A plea for mothers to get together by Pres. G. B. Hill.

Rev. Phelps encourdged the workers confessing some neglect on the part of the ministry in some instances and weakness on the part of some of the women in not wanting the advice of pastors.

Miss Lussie Williams of Jeffersonville told of a house to house canvas.

Mrs Ellen Kelley of Richmond told of prayer bands organized by her society.

Song: "The Fight Is An Oh Christian Soldier."

II Paper: Are We As Christians Living Up to the Standard of Christianity Before Sinners?

Mrs Mayme Morgan of French Lick 1st defined Standard as Christ the example and said the real Christian was trying to apply his life to the standard; the false pretended could not and did not measure to the Gospel standard."

Crawfordsvill sent a paper written by which was read by Mrs. S. E. Relerford: This paper was a strong plea for Christians to stay out of the way of sinners.

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Rev. A. Cottman, P. E of Indpls. Explained the word "Standard" and told of the lack of the laity and ministry in lifting up a standard; Love is the Standard."

The Pres. called for the following reports:
Education by Annetta Hlite: Total raised $127.95; Expenses $14.50 Balance $113.45
(Pew Service at Bethel Sndpl's. $20)
Mother's Dpt. by Leota Snorden: Raised $88.45; Expenses $15.16; $73.29 Balance
Societies 11 Increase 4.
Junior Dpt. by Anna Hadkins: Raised $50; Expenses $12.90; Balance $37.20
Young Girls Asso. Raised $35.40;
Expense $10; Balance $25.40
Y.G.A. Chairman, Mayme Carlisle.
Civic Dpt. Julia Davis She told how the Community Spirit had been awakened in their church and community by plants shrubs, flowers on the church lawn at at Home
Report of Credential Com; Partial report; 16 delegates
The Pres. refered the report to the Com. to be finished Friday A.M.
The Pres. then read Greeting from Mrs S.C. Becket, National Cor. Sec't. also greetings from Mrs M.F. Handy National Pres. of the M.M.M. Society. Mrs Handy said among other things "Don't forget the children".
Greetings from Mrs Georgia Ratcliff of Crawfordsville; 1st. State President.
There were also greetings from P.E. C.H. Jackson, who finally came; Mrs Allie Moss; Rev. J.L. Craven; H.H. Black; Chas. Hadkins, Evangelist; Dr. G.H. Shaffer.
These Greetings were of great encouragement and stimulus to our work, wolds of acceptance were ordered by the President to be sent to all.
Song: "Rescue The Perishing"
Mrs Della Craven 1st. Vice, took the chair and presented Mrs. G.B. Hill our beloved State President who gave us a charming

(Greetings from Mrs Tilossie Bailey Ex Board
Mrs Sushie Clyson Ex. Treas. Highly received)

way her "annual message" It seemed the best of all. One of the recommendation was: To close the Quadrenium with a "Silver Jubilee" applause which will be the 12th. year of Mother M. F. Handy.

The Pres. Message brought forth the usual amount of applause and more, it was turned over to a committee for publication, to be sold thus strengthen our State Treasury and also be a great help to our workers. For this reason we will not gave a synopsis of the message here as usual.

Song: "We Are Marching to Zion"

Motion: To receive and adopt the Presidents Message. Carried.

Pay Roll Com. report See Report Committee Cheatham, Thompson, Gibson.

III Paper: What Place Has Art In Our Work? by Mrs T. Heinze 1st Chair of the Art Department. The Dept is 3 yrs old Mrs Heinze being its first Supt: She said — It has a great place in our work; The uncivilized naturally have art; It has grown greatly in our State work and homes; It has encouraged aesthetic in our nature. The discussion was good and the result will be seen next year at our State Convention.

Song: "Love Lifted Me".

IV Paper: "How Can We Interest the Young People in Missionary Work? by Miss Lucile Murphy, State Parliamentarian. It was a masterpiece in Literary production and resourcefulness. She made a plea for the young to choose their own leaders and let them do their own work.

V Paper: "Special Opportunity for Service Through the Church" by Mrs. H. A. Perry wife of Rev. H. A. Perry of Evansville

Among the many things of interest and helpfulness she said: "Our father were the pioners let us foster the service rendered by them".

Adjournment Donor Supper.

Night Session Thurs 8:30 P. M.

Devotional.

The Progam was again resumed.

VII Paper: Responsibility for Ones Self, Neighbor, and Country was presented first by Miss Eunice Eaves of Princeton saying: The "golden rule" puts ourselves in the neighbor's place; love not because they are good but love for humanity sake.

Mrs Nettie Gibson, State Statistician, of Allen Chapel, Indianapolis: "Compared the responsibility of self, neighbor and country; crowd out selfishness; A true Christian can be responsible for all three; A personal touch upon the young will help; deny self for your country. She gave a plea not to leave the Political World for the lower classes but let the women modestly go to the polls and vote for the best man."

Song. "To the Work"

The Pres. appointed Miss Lucile Murphy to ans greetings of Mrs Bailey and Allyson of Marion. also send a badge to Sister Ratliff.

Journal called for and adopted.

Mail received from Muncie, Shaffer Chapel. $2.25.

Courtesy Com. Introduce Mr Rooker; Rev. Perry Miss G. Williams, Mrs Grooves. Mrs Thompson Mrs Sadie Mosley + Mrs O'hara of the Second Baptist Church.

The Pres. appointed a program committee for our next Convention to take place of Board Meeting thus do away with expense.
A. E. White; Mary E. Black; Sarah Relerford and N. S. Gibson.

Motion the next Convention to meet at Bethel Marion the 2nd. Thursday in June. Carried.
Announcements. Adjournment

Friday A. M Session
Devotional led by Mrs Heing and delegates.
I Paper of this session was one of great interest the subject "That Place that the art work in the Missionary Convention. It was presented by the Chairman of our Art Department which department is steddily growing in interest and value each year.
A general discussion followed which showed how ~~tha~~ this special Dpt. had grown in the local work.
Music by the Convention Choir
II Paper: "Special Opportunity for Service Through the Church. The first paper was presented by the delegate from Allen Chapel in the person of Miss Parrot this able paper was followed by another excellent paper from the delegate from Zebe Haute Mrs A. E. Taylor and from Clinton & Bedford.
Music.
III Paper. How Can We Interest the Young People in Missionary Work by Miss Lucile Murphy of St John Indianapolis. Miss Murphy is one of
our ~~young~~

our young
lady workers of our local and state work
her paper showed ingenuity and resource-
fulness the main thought was let
the young people work choosing their
own leaders and work their plans
as young people like to work to-
gether. There is a great future for
Miss Lucile Murphy in the Missionary
field.
Music was omitted on account of the
lateness of the hour.
The president called for the report of
the young girls department. Mrs Carlysle
gave a partial report. See the Report.
Announcements by the Pres. and Pastor
Rev. H. A. Perry.
Adjourned for dinner.

Friday Afternoon 1:30 P. M.
The President called the Convention to
order
The devotional Ex. were led by Mrs.
Annetta White which was full of
spiritual power.
The President called for the reports
which were responded to as follows
Educational Mrs White; Civic Mrs
J. Davis; Mothers Dept Mrs L. Snor-
den. The reports showed an in-
crease along all lines. See Statis-
tical Report. (with the exception of
the Civic department which is in
its infancy) The Mothers Dept
has reached the $100 mark.
1st Paper of this session which was
entitled: Responsibility For Ones Self
Neighbor and Country
In this paper Mrs Sims of Sprue

Street Terre Haute; the delegate of allen ch. Indpls and Mrs Alsa Shannon responded in an excellent way The convention entered heartily into the discussion.

Announcement by the Pastor.

Adjourned for Supper at 5:30

Friday 6:30 Session.

The President called the Session nearly two hours earlier to finish reports and have a short Memorial report.

On Account of some financal matters between the Pastor and his boards the Convention was abruptly brought to and end This was an unfortunate affair as the Convention went to Evansville to help strengthen the societies in the southern part of the state. A large number of workers went down as to how much good was done Eternity will tell. We are commanded to sow beside all waters. We are told to cast our bread upon the waters which will be seen and gathered after many days.

We adjourned to meet at Bethel Marion in our 25 Anniversary June 15-16-17 1923

Leaving Evansville in a body at 9 P. M Friday June 23, 1922.

Mrs G. B. Pres.

Eva M. Cottman Rec Sect

↓ Appendix to the above Minute:

The Election resulted as follows.

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Officers for the ensuing year. 8

1. Mrs. G.B. Hill Bethel Indpls.
2. First-Vice Mrs. Della Craven Anderson
3. Second Vice Mrs. Anna Sims Terre Haute (Spruce St)
4. Cor. Sect. Mrs. Kathryne Samuels Allen Ch. Indpls.
5. Rec. Sect Mrs. Eva M. Cottman Lafayette
6. Treas. Mrs. Sarah Relerford Bethel Indpls.
7. Parlimentarian. Miss Lucile Murphy. St John Indpls.
8. Statistician Mrs Nettie Gibson Allen Ch. Indpls.

Department Supts. (6)

9. Mothers — Mrs. Leota Snorden allen Ch.
10 Junior Mrs. Anna Stadkins Allen Ch.
11. Educational Mrs. Annetta White Allen Ch.
12 Art Mrs. Teressa Heing. Allen Ch.
13. Young Girls Mrs. Mamie Carlisle Kokomo.
14. Civil

Executive Board (5)

15 (1) Mrs. Flossie Bailey Marion
16 (2) Mrs. Mary Black Marion
17 (3) Mrs. Julia Davis Franklin
18 4 Mrs. Effie Harris Logansport
19 5 Miss Sussie Stillians Jeffersonville

These above officers were elected at Marion 25th Anniversary Session

E.M. Cottman Rec. Sect.

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The Twenty-fifth Anniversary Session

June 15-16-17- 1923
or Silver Jubilee.

Marion Indiana June 15. 1923
The Twenty-fifth Anniversary Session of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society of the A. M. E. Church, Indiana Conference Branch convened at Bethel A. M. E. Church, Marion Ind on the Above date.
Rev. H. H. Black pastor Mrs Sussie Dyson President of the Local Society. Mrs G. B. Hill State President.
Thursday evening, June 14, 8:00 P. M. a large number of delegates and friends assembled to listen to a splendid program by the Della D. Johnson Mite M. Society of Bethel and Flora Grant M. S. of Allen Temple Marion.
Synopsis of the Program:
Welcome addresses were given by Rev. C. H. Jackson, P. E. of the Richmond District.
Rev. J. S. A. Mitcham, pastor of Allen Temple representing the Ministerial Alliance and by Mrs. Chas. Hinslow of the Local Society.
A reading by Miss Rae Pettiford; Solos by Mrs Calvin Brooks + Mrs Stella Casey.
Duet by Mrs J. S. Mitcham and Mrs B. Baber.
Closing by a selection from the Harmony Quartette.
The response by Mrs Nettie Gibson of the State M. Society was all we might desire as it did great credit to our work.

Friday A. M. 9:00.

The opening Session was preceeded by a devotional exercise led by Mesdames J. A. Ratliff of Crawfordsville 1st State

President; Leota Snorden, Chair of the Mothers Dpt. and Eva M. Cottman. This was a great spiritual hour followed by the annual sermon delivered by Rev. H. D. Shannon of Kokomo, who announced his text Rev. 11. 15 "The "Kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever." Rev. Shannon said in part. This State is prophetic; it deals with the 42 mos. of the Times of the Gentiles; the Jews have not entered into their own and will not until the Messiah comes; Jesus is going to win when his presence is felt in the world: It does not matter what happens, good will ultimately win; righteousness will reign and the "Gospel of Good News will bring "Peace". We were lifted by this inspiring sermon and by an eye of faith saw the reign of peace through the righteousness of Jesus Christ.

The Holy Communion was administered by P. E. Jackson assisted by the following ministers: Revs. J. L. Craven J. S. Mitcham; H. H. Black. After the administration of the Lords Supper, which was profoundly solemn and impressive, the Rev. C. H. Jackson turned the gavel over to our State President, Mrs G. B. Hill who declared the 25 Session of The St. M. M. Convention duly opened and ready for business.

(60 persons took the Communion)

The President appointed Miss Lucile Murphy + Mrs Anna Hadkins to collect the Credentials.

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The Chair. of the Art Committee called for all pieces of Art to be given her at the close of the session.

Mrs C.P. Smith ask for all monies from tickets on State Hope box be turned over to her. The Chair of the Mothers Depart Mrs L. Snorden; Junior Department Mrs A. Hadkins and Y.P. Dept. Mrs Mayme Carlysle made fitting announcements concerning their work.

The Pres. requested all delegates to be ready to report after Dinner.

The Pres. made an announcement of our National Convention to convene in Brooklyn Oct 3-10 1923 stating that we did not send a delegate to Florida on account of finance but that the Silver Offering was taken to pay the delegates today and that we hoped to send two delegates.

The Pres. said "Fraternal organizations taxed their members and all payed. Let us all pay a tax for religious work. I never allow any other organizations to come before my church."

Long Announcements — Adjournment for dinner.

Friday 1:30 P. M.

The P.E. Rev. C. H. Jackson opened the devotional Exercises by first appointing Rev. A. E. Taylor to represent Rev. E.L. Uptegrove P.E. of the Evansville District— and Rev. C.P. Smith to represent Rev. D.A. Stilson, P.E. of the Indpls. District.

Rev. C.P. Smith lead the choir in singing "Down at the Cross" A fervent prayer

was offered by Rev. A.E. Taylor pastor of Allen Ch. Terre Haute.
Song. Brighten The Corner by the Choir.
The bar of the convention was fixed 3 seats across the front of the church.
The Courtesy Committee brought the following forward to be received by the Convention. Ex P.E. Dr. H. Giles, pastor of Allen Chapel. Indpls. B.L. Brent Mrs. Mason; Ella Scott of Marion. Rev. H.H. Black of Marion.
Rev. Dr. H Giles encouraged the women by telling them how much their work was appreciated that they should and would have greater opportunities for service.
Roll call of State Officers the following were absent Julia Davis Williams Flossie Bailey; Esther Mc. Culley.
The order of the day was resumed which was to be conducted by the Ex State Officers.
The President said:- I regret the absence of Mrs Hattie Daughtery and Sister Melvina Smith but was glad both had sent a message stating that sickness was the only cause of their absence. However we are glad of the presence of Mrs G.A. Ratliff, 1st State president and of Mrs Emma Duffy Ex Pres.
Mrs. G.A. Ratliff was presented, she being the mother of the Missionary work in Indiana was accorded every courtesy due a woman of age, experience ability & worth. She delivered an excellent address in her own way.
The Indiana Missionary Society had its beginning in their home at Knightstown with only three present viz.

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1 Marion, Ind., June 15th 1923

"Twenty-fifth Anniversary Session"
of the
Woman's Mite Missionary Society of the
A.M.E. Church, State of Indiana
Was Held at
Bethel A.M.E. Church, Fifth Street, Marion
June 15, 16, + 17 1923.

Rt. Rev. L. J. Coppin — Bishop
Rev. C. H. Jackson — P. E.
Mrs. G. B. Hill — President
Rev. H. H. Black — Pastor
Mrs Katherine Samuels — Cor. Sect

Thurs. Evening June 14th. 8.00 P.M.
Program for the Reception

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Rev. Morris Lewis Presiding Elder; Rev. L. H. Ratliff; Mrs G. A. Ratliff. These three formed the first Council Aug. 15, 1886. Their 1st Annual report showed $11 raised for Missions now we are raising over $1000 per yr for Missions such is the growth of our work.

Mrs Emma Duffy of Terre Haute Ex. Pres.* read a paper — "The Work As I Found It." saying in part "The magnitude of the work was overwhelming but the women were zealous and ready to increase the work."

A Paper "The Progress We have Made Under Our Present Leader" by Mrs I. Heinz of Allen Chapel also Chair of the State Art Dept. She said in part: "Time nor space will not permit to tell at length of the many excellent things and facts which we would like for the Public to know of the work and worth of many of our past & present leaders. The work of our State President, Mrs G. B. Hill can not be measured by words nor figures, true christian Service is immeasurable, it will take eternity to tell of the good done. The young and old have been lifted and inspired to nobler lives. Mrs. G. B. Hill served 3 yrs as Vice. Pres., also many times upon the Ex. Board previous to her election as Pres. in 1909. She attended two Quadrennial Conventions — at Chicago 1911 — At Detroit 1915 and took an important part on the program at each place. She was urged to be present at the Quadrennial at Florida in 1919 but did not go on account of the expense to the State Society.

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Mrs G. B. Hill for a number of years presided over two other State Organizations:- That of the "Women's Federated Clubs" and Order of Eastern Star leaving both well financed $1400 was left in the Treasury of the Federated Clubs when she resigned in 1921.

The recommendation to have a "State Masonic Home" was offered by our present wide awake Leader. We are proud to note that it exists near Marion today, a beautiful rural home.

Many noted Missionaries and students, who are now active in the field; were materially helped under the leadership of Mrs G.B. Hill. Viz: Mary G. Evans; Idd Mae Myller; Lyda Pettiford; Chas Stadkins also Amanda Mason a native African Student who is now teaching in Bishop Brooks Normal & Vocational School in West Africa.

She has created the following new and flourishing Departments, Mothers; Educational; Art; Civic.

One Hundred Dollars ($100) was presented Bishop Brooks to erect and Episcopal Residence in Monrovia West Africa.

A Communion Table was placed in Bethel Indpls., a monument to the life and service of Anna C. Clayborne deceased, Ex Cor. Sect.

She has attended every Annual Conference and Executive Board since her election

She has given many beautiful messages at each State Convention

the last on, The 25th Anniversary Message was publish by a Committee with Mrs K. Samuels as Chairman and is being sold by the local Societies to aid the State Treasury.

Applause!!!

Song! "Bulah Land" was sung by the Choir & Convention with enthusiasm.

The President announced the presence of Rev & Mrs. J. H. Stoner & Rev. G. H. White they were presented by the Courtesy Committee both expressed their joy of being present and of the great work done by the Women.

Greeting were read by mrs annetta White from Mrs Mary H. Handy of Baltimore, National Pres of the St. W. M. Society telling of the Nora Taylor Home, Episcopal Residence in West Africa. also from the following Mrs M. S. C. Becket Cor. Sect. (National) Bishop Levi J. Coppin & wife Mrs M. E. Coppin of Philadelphia.

Mrs Katherine Tillman Editor of The Women's Missionary Recorder Fort Scott Kansas; Dr. R. R. Downs, Bible House N. Y. Sect of Missions; Mrs. Hattie Daughterbe Ex State Officers, Franklin Ind.

Mrs. H. H. Anderson of Lafayette enclosing $2.00 as a Silver Offering.

Mary H. Thompson of French Lick $10.00; Lula Moorman, New Albany $5.00; Mens Friends Club of Indpls. $1.00; Order of Eastern Star, Indpls $45; Pride of the West. Mrs Mayme Gardener Summers, of Cleveland $1.00 (?) Ellen Kelley, Richmond Ind. $1.50 also $26.50; Rosa Goddie, Bedford $9.00 Mary J. Russell, $1.00; Mary E. Beck of Indpls. $1.00; Mary Cambell M. M. S.

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of Indpls;

After the many greating were read by Sister Annette White the Pres gave a rest of 15 minutes.

The Pres. called the house to order and took up the order of the day.

The Report of the Districts were called and reported as follows;

Indidnapolis District:—

Bethel Indpls.	$168
Coppin Chapel	2.00
Lafayette	20.00
Logansport	12.50
Crawfordsville $10 00	15.50
Noblesville	25.50
Plainfield	5.00
Clinton	10.00
Peru	1.00

The other charges of this District did not report. at this session.

Evansville District:—

Allen Chapel Terre Haute	44.50
Spruce Street Terre Haute	63.30
Franklin	20.00
New Albany	5.00
French Lick	10.00
Mt. Vernon	10.00
Bedford	9.50

The other charges did not report.

Richmond District:—

Richmond	26.50
St. John	16.50
Bethel Marion	
Allen Temple	85.00
Bethel Muncie	40.00

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Shaffer Ch. Muncie	$3.00
Anderson	16.00
Kokomo	46.25
Carthage	10.00
Alexander	1.00
Allen Ch. Indpls	264.00

Mrs Annetta White read greetings from Mrs Ida Harris, Terre Haute Ind she sent $2.00 as an offering.

Rev. J. S. A. Mitchan of Allen Temple has for help in organizing the children. P. E. Rev. C. H. Jackson spoke in behalf of Allen Temple saying it was the most fruitful field in the Richmond District The Pres said she would send worker to the Allen Temple S. S. also 6 P. M. Service. The following went. Mrs G. B. Hill. Pres. Ela M. Cottman. Anna Hadkins. Mayme Carlysle assisted allen Temple in organizing the Juniors and Young People Sunday a. m.

The President spoke in behalf of the Woman's Missionary Record by Mrs K. Tillman, Fort Scott Kansas.

P. E. Rev. C. H. Jackson said that Ind. reported more money on the 5 Million Dollar Drive than any Conference in the 4th. Episcopal District.

The Convention stood in prayer for Mother M. F. Handy, National President that she might affect a union between the Parent Mite and Home & Foreign Missionary Bodies. A fervent prayer was offered by Sister G. A Ratliff 1st. State Pres.

Mr. B. L. Brent, a poet was presented to the Convention reading a very excellent poem "Mother's Prayer Answered" Much a wonderful poem.

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During this Session Mrs G. A. Ratliff. Mrs Mayme Jackson Miss. Irene Taylor presided at the Piano + Organ making excellent music the life of any Convention.
The Convention sang the Doxology Praise God——! Benediction by Rev. W. H. Giles. Adjournment for Supper.

Friday 7:30 P.M.

This Session was opened by a short devotional exercise led by P.E. Rev. C. H. Jackson. Prayer by Rev. J. L. Ponds of Hills Chapel Solo and Chorus:- "His Eye is on the Sparrow" sung by Mrs Leota Snorden & Choir. with great spiritual effect.

The Anniversary Sermon, as announced was delivered by the Rev. J. L. Craven of Anderson, he was appropriately chosen, being the only minister, now in Indiana Conference who had followed the State Missionary Society through out the twenty-five yrs. of its growth. Rev. J. L. Craven took as a Text, St. John 16:20. "But your sorrow shall be turned into joy". Rev. Craven is an aspiring singer for this reason he was requested to sing "I love the Lord," he did so with the convention assisting. The Lord blessed with His presence; the speaker said "I love the Lord, for twenty-five years over circuits and stations He has heard [illegible] cry; returning to the text — "but your sorrow shall be turned into joy":- be governed by thought not feeling; Satan puts obstructions in the way to bring sorrow; try the spirits to see whether Satan or God tells you to stop; when did God ever tell his servants to stop? Joy is sure to come! Is sure to come to those engaged in Christian work.

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Looking backward, and often with tears over 25 yrs of determined work but the Savior has promised their sorrows shall be turned into joy. The Missionary Workers have had more joy than sorrow. Rev. Craven exhorted all to look to the future; tomorrow holds a brighter day. He commended the women for their sacrifice and told them to work on until they heard the "Well done". A great Anniversary Sermon!

P.E. Jackson arose and looking toward sister Ratliff eulogized her for her continous service! closing with "Be thou faithful until death and I will give you a crown of life" He extended the invitation, no response.

The President Mrs. G.B. Hill called the Treasury Mrs Sarah Relleford to take the Silver offering for the delegates expenses to the National at Brooklyn: as follows:-

Evansville District:-

Allen Chapel Terre Haute	$5.00
Spruce St. Terre Haute	6.00
Franklin	7.00
Mt. Vernon	5.00
Total	$23.00

Richmond District: ← See page 157

Allen Chapel	$55.00
St. John	2.00
Allen Temple	12.50
Bethel Muncie	2.00
Shaffer Chapel	1.00
Kokomo	2.00 + ← See page 157
Carthage	1.00
Anderson	2.00
Total	$77.50

Indianapolis District:-

Bethel Indpls. $15.00

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Lafayette	$1.00
Logansport	11.00
New Castle	1.00
Total	$28.00

Silver Offering for State Officers each paid $1.00 at roll call: G.B. Hill; Della Craven; Anna Sims; Katherine Samuels; E.M. Cottman; Leota Snorden; (A.E. Taylor; C.H. Jackson; L.J. Craven; H.H. Black; J.D. Ponds;) Arietta White; Anna Hadkins; Lucile Murphy Teresa Heinz; Mayme Carlysle; Nettie Gibson Julia Davis; Mary Black; Mrs Emma Duffy; G.A. Ratliff; (Susie Williams absent; Flossie Bailey absent)

Total	$21.00
Offering taken on the table from friends.	8.10
Since the Roll call Richmond District sent an additional $8.00 making $85.50; Hobson $8 more making 10 for Hobson	
Silver Offering Total	$159.40

Announcements

Ex Board Sat A.M. 8:30

Sat. A.M. 9:00. Session to open

Sunrise Prayer meeting

Sat. Evening "Play A Happy Home"

10¢ Admission

Doxology. Benediction by Rev. J.L. Craven.

Sat A.M. Session 9:A.M..

The President called the Convention to order promptly at 9 o'clock.

The Devotional was led by Rev. J.L. Craven Songs I Need Thee Every Hour and

"Just think of his goodness to you"
The Constitution was sold by Sister Della Craven to be the property of each local society until the General Conference changes it.
The President called for the Journal which was read and approved.
New Castle reported $16.50
Mrs Annetta White read Communications from Sister Mary J. Evans; Dovie Clark; National Rec. Sect; M. S. C. Becket National Cor. Sect. asking for $40 as Indiana State Tax.
Song "Sweet Love Shines In.
The President turned the convention over to Mrs Della Craven 1st Vice who presided with dignity and intelligence.
This Session was given to Papers.
The Presidents Message was deferred until the night session.
I Paper "The Way To Advance The Missionary Spirit In The Church" by Mrs. Laura Singleton of Bethel Muncie; Mrs Lydia Goslin of Lafayette & Miss Mayme Miller of New Castle.
II Paper "What are Some of The Home Problems That the Christian Spirit Can Solve?" given by Mrs Effie Harris of Logansport; Mrs Nellie Dixon of Allen Temple Marion
III Paper. "Foreign Missions, their Relations and Claims" by Mrs Nannie Parrot, Allen Ch; Mrs C. P. Smith of Noblesville and the delegate from Shaffer Chapel Muncie.
IV Paper. "Why Some Sow and Others Reap" by Mrs Julia Davis of Franklin; Mrs G. A. Ratliff of Crawfordsville; Mrs J. D. Martin of Allen Chapel, Terre Haute and Miss Nina Easley, Peru.
V Paper "Service" by Mrs Addie Borden of Bethel Marion; Mrs. Hattie M. Ross of Anderson; Mrs. Carrie Hill, St Johns Indpls.

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Mrs Craven turned the Convention over to the Pres. G. B. Hill.
The President called for the report of the Treasury on Silver Offering The Treas. Mrs Ridleford reported $193.20 up to this reading.
Doxology. Dinner.

Saturday 1:30 P. M. Session June 16
The President called the Session to order. with Miss Irene Taylor at Piano.
Song "We'll Work 'Till Jesus Comes"
Childrens Hour.
A beautiful scene. A large number of children from Allen Temple march in while little Miss Boyd played the march. Applause!
Mrs Anna Watkins State Junior Supt. assisted by Mrs Mary Black presided.
Mrs Mary Black of Bethel Marion presented the officers of her Junior Dept. while only ten in number, they were well organized and doing great work.
Instrumental Solo by Catherine Scott and a selection from Paul Laurence Dunbar by Mildred Taylor of Lafayette Ind.
Clover Boyd of Allen Temple presided at the Piano to the delight of all present.
Mrs Anna Watkins in a short and excellent address urged all local societies to organize their Juniors "the only hope of the future of M. M. work".
Allen Temple effected a large organization of Juniors also Young Girls Alliance the Sun of the Convention.
Mrs. G. B. Hill (State Pres) told in a beautiful manner the Story of the Prodigal Son which held the attention of all.
While the children sang enthusiastic the children took an Offering of $4.51

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The State Junior Dept Supt. Mrs A. Watkins reported $72.41 and the State Y. P. A Mrs Mayme Carlysle reported $43.45= Total from the Young Peoples Department $115.86. These Department show a yearly increase.

Mrs Leota Snorden, Supt. of the State Mothers Dept. reported $100.00/100 She said in a short address that she wished the "Mothers" throughout the State to advance socially, Spiritually and financially for the strength of our race depended upon wide awake Christian mothers.

The children marched out delightfully.

The President took up the program.

I Paper "How Can We, In The Missionary Field, Adjust The Relations Of The Black And White People? By Mrs Anna Sims of Spruce St Terre Haute; Mrs. Nellie M. Pettiford of Bethel Indpls.

Here the Courtesy Committee presented Rev. A. Cothran Ex. P. E. who in short speech greatly encouraged the women in their work.

II Paper "How Can We Best Interest the Children in the Fundamental Basis of Missionary Activities." by Mrs presented the only paper on this subject.

III Paper. "Selling the Gospel" by Mrs Asa Shannon of Kokomo.

The President presented Mrs Nettie Gibson the oldest Mother Chair in any local society She told how to interest Mother + Fathers in a concrete way (a) Have a program with the Mothers every 4th Fri. (b) arrange plays for Mothers. (c) For fathers. (d) On the 3rd Sunday night in May Have one minute talk with fathers on a Subject as: "Must

Father be a Cheerful Companion to his Son?"
"The Mothers money goes into the State fund which is divided 50— 50 for Home & Foreign Missionary Work".

At this point Miss Sussie Williams member of the Ex. Board arrived and made a report for Jeffersonville $27.50.

Carthage received the Hope box having turned over the largest amount to the Convention $73.64

Mrs. Kathryne Samuels Cor. Sect was asked by the President Mrs G.B. Hill to explain the booklet Progrdm to be used through out the local Societies.

Committee on pay roll reported See the report by the Cor. Sect.

Committee on Credentials reported 44 officers and delegates.

Two Special Papers were read before the convention 1st by Mrs Leota Snorden: "The Negro In America" 2nd by Miss Lucile Murphy Young People's Organization in the Church" both were great literary production contain history of value also plans for our young people respectively.

→ Note:— This Convention produced some of the best papers and address ever give before our State Branch. The Missionary work affords a great opportunity for Literary and Spiritual growth.

The Executive made Mrs G. A. Bateliff of Crawfordsville Mrs Amoa Burton of Franklin; Mrs Emma Duffy of Terre Haute "life members"

The Convention prepared for the election the Presndent had Mrs Emma Duffy Ex.Pres. to preside
Tellers were appointed Flossie Bailey and Miss Sussie Williams.
See the list of Officers on Page 145.
All reports were completed See the reports by Cor. Sect. and Statistical Report by Mrs Nettie Gibson State Statistician.
Announcements;
Song: Jesus Pilot Me.
Benediction by Rev. A. Cottman
Adjourned Supper.

Sat. Night 7:30 P. M.
The President Mrs. G. B. Hill resumed work with the Convention in Session to finish work before the "Play".
State Banner awarded to Bethel Marion.
Hope box to Carthage.
The State Convention was voted to New Castle.
The State Convention to send the President Mrs G. B. Hill and Mrs Eva M. Cottman to the National by a vote of the Body.
Mrs Relerford reported the Silver Offering to pay delegates way to amount to $193.20.

Sat. 8:30 P. M
The Play entitled "A Happy Home" was presented by some of the state officers before a large and appreciative audience. This was a new feature which greatly increased the Treasury as a small fee of 10c was paid at the door.

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Sunday 6:00 A. M.

Sunday was a great day at Bethel Marion. The early prayer meeting was largely attended was full of the presence of the Holy Spirit. Prayer and Praise the life of any Christian or organization rah high even to Heaven. All the delegates should give their presence to this service The leaders appointed were Eva M. Cottman; Leota Snorden; Lucile Murphy.

Memorial Service at 9:30 to 10:30 was fittingly carried out See Report of the Chair on Memo

Sun. 10:45 A. M.
At the morning Service Rev. A. E. Taylor pastor of Allen Chapel Terre Haute preached to a large audience Text St John 12:32. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. God blessed with his presence

Sunday 3:00 P. M. at this service Rev. J. S. A. Mitchem of Allen Temple preached to an appreciative audience Text:-

Sunday Night 7:30
The Candle Light Service conducted by the President and State was more impressive than ever before. as the verses on "Light" from the Bible were recited with Spirit.

Sunday Night 8:00
At the Regular Service Rev H. H. Black had invited Mrs Eva M. Cottman Evangelist to preach. Sister Cottman took as a Text

Math. 28:20 "Lo, I Am With You". God blessed the service with his powerful presence. One women united with the church.
All the Sermons of this Convention showed a prayerful prepedation And God blessed with his wonderful presence at all of the Sessions Amen!
The Report on Resolutions was a literary success as all persons and committee were appropriately thanked for service
The Instalation of officers were appropriately brief and timely on the account of the lateness of the hour. They were installed by Rev. H. H. Black of Bethel Marion.
Adjourned to meet at New Castle
Benediction by Rev. J. L. Craven

Next Convention at New Castle

Mrs. G. B. Hill State Pres
Eva M. J. Cottman
Rec. Sect

26 Session New Castle Ind.
July 17-18-19-20 1924.

New Castle, Ind. July 18, 1924.
The Woman's Mite Missionary Society, Indiana Conference Branch convened in regular Session on the above date at Bethel A. M. E. Church, New Castle Ind.
Promptly at 9 o'clock the "Devotional" led by sister G. A. Ratlif, the 1st. State Pres. of Ind. assisted by Mary Black of Allen Ch. Terre Haute and Mary Hill of Anderson. Sister Ratlif lined and played Hymn No. 295 "And Are

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He Yet Alive". Prayer was offered by sister Mary Hill after which the Scripture 71 Ps. was read with great effect by sister Mary Black. Then for ½ hour sister G.A. Ratliff led in a wonderful Praise Service God witnessing with us.

The Officers assembled led by our National President Mrs Mary F. Handy of Baltimore Md. and Mrs. G. B. Hill, State Pres. followed by our Ministerial brethren who took their places on the altar: P.E. Rev. C.H. Jackson Rev. J.L. Craven; Rev. A.E. Taylor; Rev. J.P. Wallace; Rev. W.H. Giles.

The order of the day was delayed on account of the late arrival of the Presiding Elder ~~of the Richmond~~ District Rev. D.A. Wilson; and Rev. Williamson of Peru who was to preach the Annual Sermon.

P.E. Rev. C.H. Jackson was invited by the Pres. to open the service. He cheerful accepted. Prayer was offered by Rev. J.L. Craven. A choir composed of 17 Girls Representing the Y.P. Dept led by Sister Leota Snorden of Allen Ch. Indpls. Supt. of the Mothers Dept. rendered excellent music 1st Song, A Spiritual Lord I Want to be a Christian. Scripture the 10th of Rom. was read by Rev. W.H. Giles

~~Song~~ Down By The Riverside.

Rev. J.P. Wallace led in the Ritualistic Service.

Song. I Heard a Voice of Jesus Say"

The President called for the Roll all present but the following: Anna Sims 2nd Vice & Spruce St. Terre Haute; Miss Lucile Murphy of St John Parliamentarian; Miss Lussie Williams of Jeffersonville and Mary Thompson of Vincennes member of the Ex. Board.

The Pres. appointed the Credential Com. Nellie Pettiford Chairman, Lulu Moorman

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Mrs Miller; Barbour; Asa Shannon.
Song By the Choir — The Old Time Religion
The Chairman of the Credential Com. gave a partial report: There were 41 members present.
The President Mrs. G. B. Hill then declared the Convention opened and ready for business.
The P.E. of the Indianapolis District Rev. O. A. Wilson and the Rev. R. H. Williamson having not yet arrived the Pres. Mrs G. B. Hill turned the meeting again over to the P.E. Chas. H. Jackson and the Ministerial brethren who held a soul stirring service as follows: P.E. Jackson spoke upon Rom. 10;17 as a basis: Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God". He told of the faith, sacrifice and service in West and South Africa and of our duty to those who have not the gospel.
Rev. A. E. Taylor told of the Golden Age of Opportunity in which the Missionary workers could bless the world with righteous endeavor.
The Young Peoples Choir sang "All of my Sins Are Taken Away"
Rev. J. P. D. Wallace, A delegate to the General Conference gave a most inspiring talk encouraging the women. The key note of his speech was <u>love</u>. The <u>love</u> Bishop Brooks manifested in his refusal to come away from West Africa until he had accomplished a greater work.
The encouraging remarks of Rev. J. L. Craven followed, based upon the quotation: Fear Not Oh Little Flock. The Fold. It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom. He paid a tribute to mother love

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and prayer.

On account of the time, Rev. W. H. Giles said he gave his approval to all that had been said.

P. E. Jackson then turned the Convention over to sister Hill who said on behalf of the delegates and herself that every word from the brethren had been appreciated.

The Pres. introduced the following visitors Sisters Milton, Wallace, Bailey Bundy ——— of Richmond Ind. Sisters Mary Gilmore ~~and~~ Alice Cottman and Carpenter of Muncie.

The President (Mrs G. B. Hill) then presented Mrs Mary F. Handy who had presided over the National Body 16 yrs. She arose stating she was not expected to make a speech at this hour but was to address the Ladies Sunday afternoon but she emphasized the message of Love brought by Rev. J. P. Wallace and urged a return to the family altar.

At this point Rev. R. H. Williamson arrived having been delayed on account of the illness of his wife.

The convention stood at the request of the Pres. to welcome the young People who had come in numbers to be present and take a more active part in our work.

The bar of the Convention was fixed to include the 4th. row of seats across the Church

The Pastors; Rev. R. H. Williamson of Peru Rev. A. Cottman of Lafayette and Rev. Carpenter of Muncie were presented to the Convention

Bishop Coppin's Song, The Church Is Moving On was sung with much power. Being very appropriately select

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The National Missionary Watch word was used for the closing of the morning session.
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Adjournment Dinner

Friday July 18 — 1:30. P.M.

The delegates reassembled and were led in the Devotional Exercises by Rev. C.H. Jackson. P.E. of the Richmond District. Hymn No 295. "And Are We Yet Alive" was deaconed and sung.
A fervent prayer was offered by Rev. A. Cottman, pastor of Bethel Lafayette. Song. "Gates Ajar". Scripture I Cor. 13 was read by Rev. A.E. Taylor, Bethel Marion. Song. "Shine On Me."
Rev. R.H. Williamson of Frankfort was presented and preached the annual Sermon after a few remarks stating his delay was due to the illness of his wife. He announced his text Rom 16-1-2 "I commend unto Phebe, our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea
That ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you: for she hath been a succourer of many and of myself also." The text was a Sermon in itself and full of inspiration. Too often we recommend those who are unworthy
Phebe of the Pauline age was in the class

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of those who were obedient to God's will. Phebe was more than intellectual, she was full of "faith and truth". The Phebes of this or any age will be helping some one somehow, somewhere.

Social ministery is team work or working together. If the church wants a piece of work done it does and must call upon the christian women to do it.

He told of the sacrifice of some of our early pioneer bishops; Some had been imprisoned and even turned away from the doors of our own people. Bishops Payne & Quinn had been beaten up in Indiana while trying to extend the Gospel thru our church in the Middle West. The closing of Rev. Hillamson's Sermon was like Pauls advice and farewell to Timothy and while this veteran Brother of 80 yrs talked we were moved to tears. He closed with a benediction upon the work of Christian Women.

The Communion which followed was very impressive 81 person having taken the Lords Supper of which 19 were young people. 2 were juniors.

The Pres. finished the appointment of Com. See the Report.

The paper on "Organic Union" by Mrs Ida Mae Myller, one of the delegates to the National Quadrennial Con. at Brooklyn N.Y. was of great interest and held the attention of all present. We are glad to note this paper was published in our A.M.E. Review Jan. Ny. 1924. and can and should be read by all of our Missionary workers.

Sister Ratliff arose to commend and endorse the paper and thus spoke the sentiment of the convention.

The President presented our own Mary J. Evans Evangelist and Pastor of St. John; Miss Ellen Kelley Principal of No 19 School of Indpls; Miss Grady, Teacher of No 26 Indpls.

The Reports of Districts were interesting and showed a growth of the Missionary Spirit. (See The Report)

Friday 7:30 P. M.

Devotional Mrs. Tressa Hearty of allen ch. Indpls. Mrs. Della Craven of Anderson Mrs S. E. Pellerford of Bethel Indpls.

Sermon Rev. D. A. Stilson P. E.

Offering —— Adjournment.

Saturday July 19— 9 A. M.

The Devotional Exercises were led by Mrs Anna Hadkins of allen ch. Indpls. and were full of the presence of the Spirit.

The Convention was opened for business. The President stated Mrs Harris of Logansport was absent on the account of the illness of her mother.

The Committees were re-read and announcements made

The Journal was read by the Rec. Sect. Eva M. Cottman and was adopted.

The Choir sang Effectively "I Want My Heart."

The Paper. Family Altar and Sabbath Observance the Hope of the Nation

(Spruce St Terre Haute & Vincennes absent)

This Paper was discussed by the House

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1st Vice President
Mrs Llella Craven opened this discussion telling of her own home life; how reverently the bible was read and prayer offered in her home when she was a child and how the impression lingered.
The following took an active part in the discussion Mrs Pettiford of Bethel Indpls; Mrs Ramey of Carthage; Mrs Henry of Muncie; Mary Hill of Anderson; Mrs Coleman of Carthage; Julia Davis of Franklin; Mrs. C.P. Smith Noblesville; Leota Snorden; Catherine Stinslow, Bethel Marion; Mrs Dillingham of Conersville; Flossie Bailey Bethel, Marion; Myra Hoosier, New Castle.
Mother Mary H Handy of Baltimore Md.
Mrs Dabney said she was not reared in a christian home but has a prayer altar in her home
At the close of the discussion 8 Young Mothers took a stand for the Family Altar and Sabbath Observance.
The Choir Sung with Enthusiasm I Couldn't Hear Nobody Pray.
Another Excellent Paper: Is Motherhood Being Lifted or Debased 1st Paper. by Mrs Pettiford of Bethel Indpls followed by Miss Millie Hoffman of Lafayette. Both paper took the Optomistic view.
Song 'Tis Me Standing in the Need of Prayer.

5 Minutes Rest.

Paper "Recruits for the Missionary Army" This subject was presented by the delegate from Richmond and was discussed by Mrs Henry the delegate from Muncie
Paper: Should Dancing be allowed in a Christian Home was read by Mrs Dabney the delegate from Logansport

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She answered yes and nearly took the breath of the Convention. That "yes" brought forth the greatest discussion that has engaged the entire body for years. The answer given by Evangelists Mary Evans, Mrs C. P. Smith, J. A Rat. Ld. Mrs Harriet Kelley and Ida Mae Miller, Rev. Lila Hilson P.E. will never be forgotten it was an intinsly profound and Spiritual service all praying that the reader of the paper might get a vision from Heaven against the dance The Convention went on record by a vote 43 to 1 against the dance from a moral standpoint. Amen!

Adjournment Dinner

1:30 Sat. July 19, 1924.

The Devotional Exercises were led by Sisters Ramey, Davis and Coleman.
Song. Some One is Needing Just You.
Scripture Luke 6-1-12 by Miss Julia Davis.
Prayer by Sister Coleman of Carthage.
Song. "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart".
The Pres. called the Report of Com. Not ready. More time was given.
Mrs Kathryn Samuels cor. Sect read the greetings sent by Mrs. M. S. C. Beckett National Cor. Sect.

At this point Mrs M. F. Handy took the chair and presented Mrs. G. B. Hill who delivered her Annual Message.

The following are some of the outstanding points of her excellent message:

(a) This the day of woman's opportunity
(b) Seek methods to suit different localities and environments

(c) Seek to be evergreen; the organization is larger than any individual in it.
(d) Souls, if not gathered in, money will be of little consequence.
(e) The world is ill at ease, peace has flown from us.
(f) The Baptism of the Holy Spirit needed.
(g) The Y.P. Dept. under Miss Emily Kinch promises great results.
(h) The Mothers Dept.: Keeps them together, instead of the card table fix over old clothes for the needy. Can not have good girls with out good boys. (i) Let the women with the ballot vote for the best man. (j) Deaths noted; W.G. Harding; Wilson; Son of Coolige; Bishop Coppin; Nora F. Taylor; Katherine Tillman.
Song—The Convention stood and sang "Nearer My God To Thee".
(k) The President visited the following conventions during the year: A.M.E. Zion Gen. Conference at Jones Tabernacle Indpls; District Conferences at Logansport. Richmond Distrct S.S. Convention. Most excellent Message Evangelist Mary Evans D.D. led with Love Lifted Me!
The Reports Standing Com.: were good showing an increase along all lines.
Statistical Report.

Total received from The Districts: 648.58
Total from all sources $1220.03
Total Expenses —411.—
On Hand & closed Convention. $807.22

The Children's Hour was the best and most inspiring of any yet held and we have always had a great hour with the children. The young people

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were organized into a state body with their own officers: President. Sadie Weaver.
1st Vice Ruth Hughes
2nd Thelma Thurman
Nancy Moore Rec. Secretary
Ruth Miller Financial Secty.
Mrs Leota Snorden was appointed Chairman of the Young Peoples Department.

The election of the Senior Society was conducted by Mrs Mary F. Handy President of the Parent Mite Body who was visiting the State Branch.

The Result of the election was as follows: [There were 44 votes]
President Mrs. G.B. Hill.
1st. Vice Della Craven
2nd. Vice Lena Ramey
Cor. Sect. Kathryn Samuels
Rec. Sect. Eva M. Cottman
Treas. Sarah Relerford
Executive Board:—
1. Flossie Bailey, Marion
2. Mary Black, Terre Haute
3. Julia Davis, Franklin
4 Lussie Williams, Jeffersonville
5. Mayme Carlysle, Kokomo.
Vada Grady, Parlimentarian
Nettie Gibson, Statistician.
The President appointed the following Heads of Departments:—
Chairman of:
Mother's Dept. Ethel Henry Muncie
Art " Minnie Williams, New Castle
Y.P. Dept. Leota Snordan. Indpls.
Mite boxes. Teressa Heinz Indpls.
Education. Annetta Hiatt.

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Asbt Banner was awarded to Connersville.
Y. P. Banner was awarded Bethel Marion.

Sat. 8. P. M.
The play was a grand literary social and financial success.

Sunday Morning 6.00 o'clock
The early prayer meeting was a great occdssion. Each one tried to see who would be the first to arrive. accordingly Sister Mary H. Handy was there and on her knees when Eva Cottman, Kathryne Samuels and Mrs C. Thrasher arrived The meating was led by sisters Handy and Cottman.

The Memorial Service was conducted by Mrs G. B. Hill. Different one spoke upon the lives of the diceased from each local society.
The president appointed Mrs Eva Cottman to speak upon the life of Mrs Tillman former editor of the Woman's Recorder; Lucile Murphy upon the life of Mrs Nora Taylor 1st. Vice Pres. of Parent Mite Body; Mrs G. A. Ratliff upon the life of Mrs Annd Shaffer wife of Bishop Shaffer diceased.

Sunday 11:00
The pulpit was occupied by Rev. Taylor an evangelist of Chicdgo. and excellent serbice and a very large audience.

Sunday 3:00 P. M.
The mass-meeting was full of interest from the first song to the close of the session we had two noted visitors to speak. Mrs. M. E. Handy our National President and Rev. J. Y. Tantsi from Bishop Vernon's Conference on South Africa. This was the hour Mrs Era Cottman, Miss Ida Mae Muller Miss Mary Evans, Miss Lucile Murphy were to give their report of their trip to Brooklyn National Missionary Convention but they gave way fod these noted speakers. The time was profitably taken as all were greatly inspired with a greater missionary zeal.

Sunday 7:30 P. M.
The usual Candle Light service was of great value spiritually all responded with a verse from the Bible the President and state officers were all dressed in white and led in the service.
Rev. J. L. Craven preached at the evening service to a well filled house and an inspiring service.
After the final report of the Cor. Sect. Mrs K. Samuels showing a gain on all lines (see Report) the Committee on Resolution submitted an excellent report (see report).
The State officers were installed by Rev. J. L. Craven and the Twenty-Sixth Session adjourned to meet at Muncie Indiana June 1925.

Era M. Cottman Rec Sec't
Mrs G. B. Hill President

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Muncie Indiana
June 11, 1925
The Twenty-Seventh Session
Of The
Indiana Conference Branch
Of The
Woman's Mite Missionary Society.
Convened at Bethel Muncie
1020 Jackson Street on the above
date

The Reception! One of the most enjoyable reception was tendered the officers and delegates of the State Missionary body. a large audience was present.

We had as our guest Mrs Christiani Smith, widow of the late Bishop C. S. Smith, President of the Michigan Conference Branch; First Vice-President of the National Body; First National Pres. of the Young People's Department being its organizer.

Cordial words of welcome given by representatives from the local church; Calvary Baptist; the M. E. Church; Schaffer Chapel; Union and Antioch Baptist churches to which Mrs. C. — Smith responded on behalf of the State and National bodies. in a most pleasing and fitting manner as well as instructive.

Most excellent music was rendered:— It included the selections by Bethel Choir; a

Trombone Solo by Mr Wheeler Morin; A song Bethel Ladies Quartette; Solos by Mrs Stella Setterford and Miss Erma Harris and two selections from the Elk's Quartette which was followed by pleasing remarks from the pastor of the local church The Rev. E. S. Smith.
All repaired to the basement and were refreshed by the Local Missionary Society.

Friday June 12th 9 A. M.
This service was preceded by a wonderful devotional service led by Era Cottmen.
The delegrates assembled in the basement and were led to the rostrum by the members of the "young people's department who formed the choir.
At an invitation from the state president Miss Ida Mae Myller escorted Mrs Cristine T. Smith to the Altar.
The Ritualistic service was led by Rev. H. H. Giles; Prayer by Rev. A. E. Taylor, pastor of Bethel Marion.
Song by the Y. People; Love Lifted Me
Scripture reading Phil. 4—1—7 by Rev. J. L. Craven, pastor Bethel Lafayette.
Solo— I Know A Great Savior. by Miss Lucile Board of the Calvary Baptist Church.
After a few remarks by Rev. H. H. Giles evangelist He presented Mrs Cora Thurman of New Castle who was to preach the Annual sermon. After a short introductory remarks in which she told of her illness and requested the prayers of those present she took for a text St John 19—25 "Now there stood by the Cross of Jesus his mother

and his mother's sister Mary the wife of Cleophas and Mary Magdalene."
Subject. "The women standing by the cross". Not all of the women are women are standing by the cross; she recited an incident of a rich woman of New Castle who did not stand by the cross but did stand by society; Deborah (a bee) loved her people and stood by the cross; Esther, the diplomatic Esther loved her people and secured their deliverance by standing by the cross; the church has been delivered from the enemy by the women who have stood faithfully by the cross of righteousness.

When Christ was on earth, many women stood by the cross even though all others had forsaken him. Through out his bitter agony the women still stood.

All down the ages the women have stood by the Cross. though every difficulty, though every obstacle in their way, the women will stand by until the stone of difficulty roll away. 1st church of the Gentiles established at Philippi by the women standing by the Church. Help those women who had labored with me at Rome. She exhorted the ministers to push ahead their women who will hold up their arms. Exhorted the women to be true to the Cross.

Song by the children: I Shall Not Be Moved- beautifully lead while the convention joined in the chorus. The President arose and requested all to hum the song which was done will telling effect.

The Pres. presented Rev. C. H. Jackson to administer

the Holy Communion. Remarks tell the reason of his unavoidable absence - 1½ hrs. delayed by trains obstructed his way. The very impressive Holy Communion followed assisted by the ministerial brethern. Fifty-three adults and twenty young people took - Total 73. We felt that we had come to Elim where there were twelve Wells of Water and Seventy-two Palm trees

Rev. Jackson then spoke of the need of Consecration for greater service. Asks prayer for Gods ministers as all need and want prayer. Then the President suggested that the P. C. should proceed with the Consecration Service. "Draw Me Nearer" was led by Rev. J. M. Nickles and a fervent prayer was offered by him. The P. C. requested that Rev. J. L. Craven sing "I love The Lord."

The Gavel was turned over to Mrs. G. B. Hill who proceeded to take up the work of the Convention. Rest ten minutes. The President stated that there were twenty-four delegates and sixteen officers and thereby we were ready for business

Roll were read by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Kathyrn Samuels. See report.

Adjournment: Dinner

Friday 1:30 P.M.

A short devotional Service was led by Mrs. Ramey - Black - Kelsford - Gibson. Song - "Take Me Not." Prayer was offered by Sister Ida Mae Miller after which "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross" was sung.

The President appointed Mrs. Nettie Gibson to take charge of the Contingent Money. The roll was called by Districts. See Report

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The Young People were invited to the Choir by their Leader – Mrs. Leota Snowden. Miss Hoffman at the Piano.

Song: "Sweeter As The Years Go By"

The President invited Mrs. Bishop Smith to the chair and proceeded to give her Annual Message: Begun her message with a greeting to the workers (a) The restlessness of the times due to the Gospel not being lifted up. The Christian women must lift Jesus in their lives. Beautiful allusion to the sermon of Sister Lora Thurman taking away the stone of hinderance. (b) State Chairman to be in touch with the local chairman in each society. Give local or every woman a chance. (c) Educational: Ministers who have given their lives (their children should have a chance).

Mothers are to live up to make our A. M. E. better. Good mothers make good children, better homes, better children. Render a program on Mother's Day. (d) Art Dept. grew out the Sewing circle. During the past War, the needy women who came from the South to us here to be enlisted to help sew for their own and others. (e) Our women are about to come into their own thru the General Conference. The women have proven their efficiency thru their local, State, and National Body. (f). Exhorted the men not to take the Missionary Money out of their Treasuries. (g) Suffrage: Be careful how you vote for whom you vote! Before Lincoln issued his Proclamation, the Negroe had proven his loyalty. (h). Let the Negroe protest in the right way.

Visit used Economy
Visit to the home of Della Craven.

Wrote 120 letters - 5 cards - 4 specials. She kept faith with God and man and played the part of a friend to all.

Through love conqueror all things.

Not to give up when the days are dark - take courage, fight on, work on, be in harmony with your pastor, stand by the Church. All races have had their ends so we must have ours. Closing with a beautifull allusion to the Rock of Ages

Nettie Gibson made the motion that the address be received, adopted, and turned over to the Com. on the Pres. Address. Carried.

Remarks by Rev. J. M. Nikles. Song "Steal Away" was led by Mrs. Leota Snoden - Mrs. Hill presented Mrs. Bishop Smith, Rev. C. H. Jackson, Craven Stoner, Smith, Taylor, Brown, and Giles. The brethren choose Rev. Giles as their spokesman who made some interesting and cheering remarks speaking on the state of the country and church. He said the women were the most stable of all groups.

The following ladies were presented to the convention Mesdames Bundy, Kelley, McCurdy of Richmond; Ida Tanner of Kokomo and Ida Mae Myller, evangelist, the latter spoke in her cheerful manner greeting the workers, telling how very busy she had been until she was over come by the heat but never failed to go when she was able. She told how much she owed to the Indiana workers and how much she still appreciated the kindness of the many friends Let us not misrepresent, be a booster.

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not a knocker.
Rev. J. P. Walace was presented and addressed the convention
Finance Committee called for, Evansville District reported see Report.

Rest of 15 minutes.

1st Paper taken up. The papers were taken up:—
1st Paper: How Can we Secure Punctuality in Attending Missionary Meetings: The delegate from Bloomington being absent. The delegate from Anderson volunteered with effect.
3rd paper was presented by Mrs Silence J Lafayette. She defined voice as an utterance. And told how we should make the Christ story practical.
The following discussed the paper Mrs Viola Morin of Muncie; Mrs Effie Harris of Logansport; Miss Avery of Portland; Miss Milla Huffman of Lafayette.
Miss Ida Mae Myller spoke in interest of the Woman's Missionary Recorder saying we only had two years to put the paper over as it will then pass into the hands of the Home & Foreign Missionary Body.
Song— all standing with enthusiasm Rescue The Perishing.
The President presented Mrs Smith, wife of local pastor; Mrs Patterson of Anderson each gave words of cheer.

Taken up later.

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Paper of Mrs Flossie Bailey on My Denomination, Its History and Principals was a Historical & Literary treat - Mrs Bailey was at her best. She told of the history of our church from Allen 1784 down to the present - giving the glory and achievements of our A. M. E. connection through the experiences of its founders and the host of workers who have followed. Our material and spiritual expansion. The care and use of our children in this great growth. The spirit of Missions as evidenced by the growth of that great depart in our connection. We were unspired by this paper a comprehensive, Historical and Literary production.

Mrs C. S. Smith spoke at length upon the paper endorsing it in every way.

Miss V. Grady, Parliamentarian, teacher from the Public Schools of Indpls. spoke upon the subject. after which she made her report as delegate from St. John - See Report.

President called for re-reading of Committees. ! Miss V. Grady was enrolled upon the Presiden Message Committee.

Friday 7:30 P. M.

The Devotional exercises began promptly by at 7:30 — Hymn — Pass Me Not. Song Sweeter As The Days Go By. A fervent prayer by Rev. S. Brown. pastor of our church at Crawfordsville.

Song The Old Rugged Cross. & Awake were sung with spirit.

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Detroit Michigan

Mrs Hill again presented Mrs. Cristina Smith, First Vice President of the Parent Mite Body, also the President of the Michigan Branch. She began by first paying a tribute to Indiana her home state formerly, and also paying a tribute to our own Ida Mae Myller, Evangelist.
In part she said that Missionary endeavor was not a side issue but a real organization united to the old and old; 1800 in a Baptist Church in Boston, the spirit was generated and has been fostered until every church has an organization. + + + + + Go ye means me and you.
She gave in a clear and comprehensive way the evolution of our Missionary work to the gratification of all present.

Applause

Songs. Bring them In and Hark 'Tis the Shepherd's Voice I hear were sung with spiritual fervor.

Offering. ——— $17.07

Benediction by Rev. Craven.

Saturday June 13— 9. a.m.
The devotional exercises, led by Mrs Wayne Carlyle of Kokomo and Miss Vida Grady of St. John Indianapolis
The 91st Psalm was read by Miss V. Grady.
Rev. C. H. Jackson, P.E. of the Richmond

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district, came forward at the call of the Leader Mrs Carlysle and gave very encouraging word he said in part; "Get in your minds some definite thing God is trying to accomplish then we would be workers together with God. The problem is to get the great groups of Christianity to work together for the Salvation of the world. If all groups were seeking truth we would all have the spirit of Christ."

(The President called for the reading of the minutes of the Executive Board. (a) The main item of minute was to furnish a room at Wilberforce at a cost of $50. (b) We are to put on a penny drive. (c) Send clothing to Mrs Vernon.)

On motion by Ethel Henry to accept the project offered by the Executive Board ——— carried.

Mrs. G. B. Hill, pres. said— "The money to furnish the room at Wilberforce could be taken from the Educational Department, We do not have to re-tax the local societies.

The president gave the following excellent advice as to sending clothing to Mrs Vernon for africa— Send clothing nice & clean— give name of your local president— send $1.00 for expressage send directly to Mrs E. Vernon by July.

It was afterward agreed by a vote to send all packages to Mrs Fannie Stewart 1138 Fayette St. Ind'p'ls.

Mrs. Fannie Stewart was presented to the convention.

Song. When We all Get To Heaven.

The Recording Secretary, read the

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Journal of the entire proceeding including the reception.

The Journal was adopted.

The Order of the day, which were the paper, was taken up.

The paper — "Leadership" was presented by the delegate from Kokomo — She said: Leadership requires patience, kindness. Anything worth striving after must meet the approval of God. False motives as desire for fame, praise or power will destroy ones real worth. All can not lead. We may not live to see our work etc".

The discussion was led by Mrs Allie Cheatham of Bethel Indpls. She said: The want of the world are good leaders such must have the Christ love and spirit. "Let the world see Jesus in you" How careful the Lord was in choosing men at leaders. One should think of others not self. The price of leadership is service".

The paper "The Joy of the Missionary" was opened by Mrs Mc Curdy of Richmond on a ringing speech such as only Mrs Mc. Curdy Nationally known can give. She spoke upon the health intellect and social characteristics of a missionary that would cause him to give joy and help to others less prepared than he.

This address was followed by Miss Julia Davis of Franklin and Mrs Tillie Larter of Bedford both endorsed Mrs Mc. Curdy and said the Holy Spirit was needed to give joy to our work.

Song. "If Your Heart Keeps Right" by the Convention.

At this point Mrs Ida Mae Myller arose to say goodby. It was a most happy Good By. All regreted to see her leave as she gave great deal of help and cheer to our convention.

The Paper. "The Conquest of Selfishness" was presented by the delegate of Allen Indpls. Mrs Holt gave a most excellent idea of selfishness. this paper drew forth a great discussion which was led by Mrs Era Cottman of Spruce St Terre Haute followed by Mrs Burden of Bethel Marion, Mrs Anetta White of Allen Chapel, and Mrs Ramey of Anderson. Mrs G.B. Hill president closed the discussion with a talk upon favoritism.

Song. "Good News".

The paper "How Can Our Society Benefit Our Community?" This excellent paper was presented by Mrs Katie Clark of Allen Chapel Terre Haute. She told of the Missionary work starting with that of John the Baptist the forerunner of Jesus. Then the work in all countries from the Catholics in 1565 to 1623 of John Eliott to modern missionary endeavor. She said teach the young people the Christ spirit to give both to the home and foreign work."

The discussion was led by the delegate from Shaffer Chapel. being the only speaker on the discussion.

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Dinner was called.
Adjourned until 1:30.

Saturday 1:30 P.M.

The Convention reassembled: There was an excellent song service. Closing with Saved! Saved! A fervent prayer was offered by Sister Hannah Nicholes of Allen Chapel, Indp'ls.

The Cor. Sect. read greetings from the following: Mrs Mary H. Handy Mrs Becket, Mrs Anderson. Rev. Carpenter, Rev. H. H. Patterson.

Memorial Exercises were given being a change from Sunday.

At this point the Young People's Dept- ment assembled composed of seven young people of the State Young Peoples Dept.

The State President Miss Sadie Hearer of Marion took charge after Mrs J. B. Hill presented the gavel.

Song 28. I Shall Not be Moved.
Prayer Miss Gibson of Allen Chapel, Indp'ls.
Scripture Reading I Cor 13 Chapter.
Song Can The World See Jesus In You?
Report of the State Chairman Mrs Leota Snorden. See Report.
Greeting from Emily Kinch in which the mite boxes and her paper the Radio were stressed.
Song: "When We all get to Heaven"

Pleasing Remarks by Flossie Bailey.
Instrumental Miss Henry of Muncie
Duet In The Garden Evalyn Evans of Franklin, Ruth Hughes of Hobbs
Ruth Miller of Indianapolis, allen Chapel.
Pantomime "Holy City by Miss Gibson of Allen Chapel. Mrs Leola Snordan singing. Great applause.
Solo. Old Rugged Cross by Helen Avery of Portland — Accompanied by Miss Tyrene Taylor of Bethel Marion.
Annual Message by Miss Sadie Heaver in which she gave many items of worth and intrest this was the first annual message ever given by a member (the president) of our Young peoples department before a state convention so it is fitting that we record some of its content
Miss Sadie Heaver the 1st State President of our Young Peoples Department said in part:
(a) This organization was not only to raise money but it meant something more the organization of our young people. (b) 1000 white worker 500 of ours. (C) We were to reorganize for the upbuild of Missions & (d) We should have a trained worker. (d) They ask for the prayers of the Senoi Society. (Applause)

Song 76 "Dwelling in Bulah" which was sung with enthusiasm.

Mrs. G.B. Hill presented Mrs Christine S. Smith 1st Vice Pres. of Parent Body and National Organizer of

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of the Young People's Department in our A.M.E Connection who gave an inspiring talk to the young people.

Song Victory.

Offering was taken by Flossie Bailey and Ida Mae Myller $6.28

The Y. P. Dept. reported raised for the year 145.78

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After taking out their expenses for the year See the Report they turned over $127.56.

Greeting was read from Mrs E. T. Vernon wife of Bishop Vernon Read 9/st P.S.

Pay roll called for not ready.

Topic Card Com. " "

Credential Committee reported 15 officers 25 members — 40 votes.

The Banner of Y. P. Dept. was given to Franklin they having been organized for 2 weeks and had raised $6.50

The result of the Election of the Young People's Department:

President Sadie Weaver

1st Vice. Ruth ~~Hughes~~ Miller

2nd Vice. Thelma Lynch

Rec. Sect. Ruth Hughes

Cor. Sect. Evalyn Evans

The President called for the report of State bcans report See Report.

Rev. Carpenter former pastor of Bethel Mission now stationed in Canada sent a beautiful bouquet of flower to

be presented to Mrs. G.B. Hill, State Pres. Mrs Ethel Henry presented a well chosen words.

Announcement for Sunday. June 14-1925
Rev. J.L. Craven A.M. Service
3:30 yet to be arranged.
Rev. C.H. Jackson Evening Service.

The election for the Senior Society was called for; Mrs C.S. Smith presided, assisted by Revs. Craven & Jackson. The Credential Committee Reported 40 Senior members & Young people = 48 votes.

The results of the Election was as follows; Pres. G.B. Hill
1st. Vice Elsa Shannon
2nd Vice Lena Ramey
Recording Secretary Era M. Cottman
Cor. Sect. Kathryn Samuels
Treasury Sarah Relerford
Executive Board;
1. Larcena Green
2. Mayme Carlysle
3. Elbssie Bailey
4. Mary Black
5. Julia Davis.
Parlimentarian Millie Huffman
Statistician Nettie Gibson

Reports as follows:

Young Peoples	$127.56	
Education	148.00	
Mothers	100.38	
Art	72.00	
Treas.	$942.29	paid out $936.00
Balance	$7.29	

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Motion to allow all bills, carried.
$50 was allowed Mrs C.S. Smith See
Report of Cor. Sect for all bills.

Sunday. June 14th. 1925.
The day begun with a great
sunrise prayer meeting. led by
Leota Snorden, Kathryn Sambels
and Eva M. Cottman.
A large number were present.
and the presence of the lord was
manifested in song - prayer and
praise. this has always been
a service in which all look for
ward with joy.

The 11 oclock service and night
service were carried out as per
program.
The afternoon program consisted
of a mass meeting led by the State
officers. Mrs Hill called upon Mrs
Eva M. Cottman to lead the service
Mrs C. S. Smith who remained with
us took an active part this proved
to be one of the best sessions:
After the Candle light service
the Officers were installed and
our Twenty-Seventh Session was
a part of the history of our
Grand Indiana State Miss-
ionary Branch.

Eva M. Cottman
Rec. Sec.

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The End

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The Report of the Committee on Condolance for Memorial Service;

We the committee on condolance beg leave to submit the following report

Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly father to remove from our Missionary circle Sister Della Craven who departed this life April — 1925. and who was the 1st Vice President of the Indiana Conferance Branch W. M. M. Society also the wife of Rev. J. L. Craven of Lafayette;

Mrs Evelnie Hale of Mary Cambell Society Indpls; Mrs Emma Hair of Flora Grant Society Indpls; Mrs Phoeba Thurman, Anna Shaffer W. M. M. Society Anderson.

Mrs Mattie Roberts, Anna Clayborne Society, Kokomo; Dora Mc. Flemsy of the Kelley M. M. Society Bedford; Sister Esther Mc. Cullough of Plainfield;

Mrs Helen Moss daughter of Rev & Mrs Grafton White, Indpls; Mrs Jennie Masahman of the Martha Adams M. M. Society, Muncie

Respectfully submitted
Hannah Nichols
Mary Black
Kattie Clark
Narcissus Holt
Emma Silence.

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Lafayette Ind.
June 10, 1926.

The Twenty-eighth Sessions of the Indiana Conference Branch of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society convened at Bethel A. M. E. Church, 820 Ferry St., Lafayette, Ind. June 10, 11, 12 & 13 th, 1926. with Mrs. Gertrude Motley, local President and Rev. C. S. Brown Pastor.

Thursday the Delegates arrived and registered. In the afternoon the Executive Board held its session. At night the following Program was rendered:-

Opening Song ----- Bethel Choir
Invocation ----------- Rev. Smith, Muncie
Selection ----------- Bethel Choir.
Welcome Address ---------- Mr. Samuel Wharton
Solo ---------- Mr. William Hines
Welcome Address - Bethel M. M. Society -- Mrs. Gertrude Motley
Selection ---------- Bethel Choir
Welcome Address -- N. H. Burroughs M. S. -- Mrs. Mattie Johnson
" " -- S. S. and C. C. E. League -- Miss Doris Ruth Russell
Duet ----- Selected ---- Mrs. C. E. Willis and Mrs. Ora Smith
Welcome Address -- Stewardesses Board -- Mrs. Mary Hoffman
Response ---------- Mrs. Gertrude B. Hill, State Pres.
Remarks by Rev. C. S. Brown, Pastor
Benediction ------- Rev. Upthegrove, P.E. Evansville Dist.

Friday Morning 9:00 o'clock.

The Praise Service was conducted by Mrs. Ossie Shannon, Indpls.; Mrs. Susie Dyson, Marion, Mrs. Lena Ramey, Anderson Mrs. Benson, Richmond (in the place Mrs. Black) who was absent on account of illness in her family. The meeting was entered into with enthusiasm by the Convention. Many beautiful and inspiring testimonials were given. During this

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service the Bishop and Mrs. Vernon arrived. The Convention arose and gave the Chautauqua salute. The Bishop added his testimony which closed the devotionals.

Dr. Jackson, P. E. of the Indianapolis District presided. The opening Hymn, "Marching To Zion," was led by Rev. Craven of Ind'p'l's. Prayer was offered by Rev. Smith of Muncie.

The Choir sang "If He's There." The Scripture Lesson Ps. 34 was read by Rev. C. L. Applegate, P. E. of the Evansville District.

Decalogue was conducted by Dr. Shannon of Ind'p'l's. Song, "He's A Wonderful Savior To Me" was sung by the Choir and Convention.

The Annual Sermon was preached by Dr. Ida Mae Miller of Indianapolis. She prefaced her sermon by singing "Pass Me Not O Gentle Savior," after she had explained that the blind and afflicted song-writer, Fanny J. Crosby had written the song out of the depth of her physical sufferings. She prefaced the Convention for her masterful sermon taken from the text Ps. 51:17. Its subject- "How God Makes Of Things That Are Broken." She illustrated so beautifully the broken things that God does use; mentioning the broken pitchers of Gideon that the hidden light might shine thru, the broken seal on the box of precious ointment which Mary poured upon Jesus, the broken body of Jesus Christ, the broken bodies of people which often has to be done before God can use them. A proud and haughty spirit must be broken, the heart must become contrite before one can render real Christian service said the speaker. It was an especially helpful and soul-satisfying sermon. After it a song "Confidence" was sung.

The State Officers formed in processional and were led in the Convention by Bishop Vernon and seated. Dr. Jackson declared the Convention open and presented it with the gavel to Mrs. Gertrude B. Hill, the State President.

The Recording Secy, Mrs. Eva Cottman was absent because of her daughter's graduation from H. S. The Pres. appointed Mrs. Orestes Hood of Terre Haute to fill the vacancy temporarily.

The Pres. called the Pages, Miss Luren Taylor, Marion and Mrs. Hardrick, Ind'p'ls'. and all the Young Peoples Delegates as well as all the home gills of Lafayette to come forward and be consecrated for the service with prayer by Dr. Mary Evans of St. John, Ind'p'ls.

The Mrs. Hill addressed them with words of advice and counsel. Miss Millie Hoffman led the Convention in singing "Draw Me Nearer."

The Chairman of the Credentials Com. was absent. The credentials had been given the Pres. so she declared the Delegates duly appointed and seated and the Convention ready to begin work.

Delegates Roll isas as follows:—

Bethel, Indianapolis
Fannie Stewart, Julia Jefferson
Sarah Manuel.

Coffin Chapel Ind'p'ls'.
Lula Tiger, Callie Demorkis

New Castle Lavenia Dempsey

Marion - Addie Burden
Sadie Weaver, Teressa Taylor.

Allen Chapel, Ind'p'ls'.
Katie Neal
Hannah Nichols, Angelina Crump

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Ch Carthage
Glenna Lee
Richmond
Mrs. Benson
Allen Chapel, I. H.
Jerdy Dix
Daisy Ernestine Hord
Franklin
Hazel Wales
Hattie Cain
Evelyn Evans
St. Paul Ind'pls.
Lydd Craven
Jennie Dearman
Bloomington, Vessie Evans.
Vincennes, Mayme Long
Kokomo, May Gaskins
St. John, Ind'p's - Audrey Hardrick
Carrie Willis
Lafayette Alleta Edwards. Ma
Muncie, Lola Smith

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The Roll of State Officers was called by Mrs. Relerford State Treasurer, who was keeping the next Secy.

Roll State Officers

State Pres ---------- Mrs. J. B. Hill
1st Vice Pres ------ Mrs. Ossie Shannon
2nd " " ------ Mrs. Lena Ramey
Financial Secy. ------ Kathryn Samuels
Recording Secy. ---- Mrs. Eva Cottman (absent)
Treasurer ---- Mrs. Sarah E. Relerford.

Executive Board

Miss Julia Davis ——— Mrs. M E. Black (absent)
Mrs. Flossie Bailey ——— Mrs. Minnie Carlyle
Irene Green
Supt. Young Peoples Dept ---- Mrs. Leota Snorden
Statistician --- Mrs. Nettie Gibson
Parliamentarian ---- Miss. Millie Hoffman
Art. Dept. ---------- Mrs. Minnie Bailey
Education ---------- Mrs. A. J. White
Mother's ---------- Mrs. Ethel Henry
Mite Boxes ---------- Mrs. Teressa Heinz
Past State Officers --- Mrs. Susie Dyson
Mrs. Anna Watkins.

The total number present was 46.
Seventeen State Officers and twenty-nine Delegates.

The bar of the Convention was fixed in the center aisle. Visitors were asked to occupy seats upon the sides or in the rear. The Pres. asked the Delegates to remove their hats and to refrain from chewing gum.

The minutes of the Executive Session were read by Mrs. Relerford. They reported no new business taken up. The book sent Mrs. Vernon was reported received. The Board decided to stand by Bishop Vernon in any plan he wished to put over.

A motion to adopt the report prevailed

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Mrs. Vernon expressed her thanks for the bd.
The Pres. named the following Committees :-

Credentials
Mamie Long
Hazel Wales
Sarah Manuel

Pay Roll Com.

Mae E. Gaskins
Irene Benson
Lola Smith
Daisy E. Hood
Audrey Hardrick

Finance Com.

Hattie Caine
Julia Jefferson
Mary E. Evans
Sarah E. Relerford
Evelyn Evans

Pages
Juanita Watkins
Iwren Taylor

Papers Com.

Resolutions
Vissie Evans
Angelina Crump
Hannah Nichols
Lyda Craven
Fannie Stewart

Memorial Com.

Addie Burden
Lula Hizer
Katie Neal
Glenna Lee
Jennie Dearman

Auditing Com.
Flossie Bailey
Laverna Dempsey
Iwren Taylor
Sadie Weaver

Courtesy Com.

Millie Hoffman
Callie Dickson
Jerdy Dix
Alberta Edwards

Missionary Recorder -- Dr Ida Mae Miller, Ind'p'ls,
Ind'p'ls, " ---- Mrs. Fannie Stewart
Church Papers ---- Mrs. Eva Cottman, Terre Haute.

The Pres. announced that all unfilled Com. would be filled out tomorrow.

She also stated that the Memorial Services would be conducted Saturday night, and instructed all Locals to hand in the names of all members who have passed on this year.

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to be given to the Chairman, Mrs. Burden Marion.

The President mentioned that every bit of printing done for the Convention was performed by the Indianapolis Recorder a Colored company.

The Chairman of the Art Dep't. Mrs. Bailey, displayed two Crystalline lamp-shades from her department and invited the Convention to view her display and purchase the articles. Delegates were instructed to take all work for the Art Dep't. to Mrs. Bailey, Chairman.

Bishop and Mrs. Vernon were introduced to the Convention and expressed their pleasure at being with us. One verse of "Sweeter As The Days Go By" was sung while the hand of greeting was given Bishop and Mrs. Vernon. The meeting adjourned for dinner by repeating the Watchword.

Friday Afternoon 1:30

Devotionals were led by Mrs. Snorden and a group of Young People's Delegates. Mrs. Craven, Ind'pls'., presided at the piano.

The Say Roll Committee was called and the Pres. instructed that all bills be reported to them immediately.

The Pages were called foward to read the names of the Locals by Districts.

Evansville District.

Evansville	
Terre Haute, Allen Chapel	$25.00
Terre Haute, Spruce St	
New Albany	$5.00
Franklin	$10.00
Vincennes	
French Lick	$10.00
North Vernon	
Washington	$5.00
Bloomington	$12.00
Lipps	

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Jefferson ——— $
Princeton ——— $8.10
Cordydon ——— $5.00
Charleston ———
Bedford ——— $7.85

Indianapolis District

Bethel ——— $220.67
St. Paul ——— $13.56
Coffin (New Society named for Mrs. Emily C. Vernon) $5.00
Logansport ——— $10.00
Lafayette ——— $20.00
Peru ———
Noblesville (Money Order brought by Rev. Moorman) $11.00
Frankfort-Lebanon (brought by Rev. Patterson) $2.00
Clinton-Rockville ——— $5.00
Brazil-Lost Creek-Green Castle ———
Plainfield ——— $4.00
New Castle ——— $7.00

The reports were discontinued and Dr. Miller was asked to make a statement concerning the Woman's Recorder. She asked that individuals as well as locals subscribe for it. She insisted that the copies be read and passed promptly.

The Convention sang "The Fight Is On".

Address by Mrs. Vernon was greatly enjoyed. She brought greetings from the Michigan Conference Branch and from the Bermudas. She stressed the work of the Young People of the Bermudas and said that the Y. P's. Dept. generally should be encouraged to find happiness and give service in Missionary work. They are the future Missionaries — the ones who must carry on after the Missionary leaders of today have passed from active usefulness. The Y. P's. Dept. will be a training period for them during which time they may learn the best methods and develope original ideas of how best to carry on the great work. She emphasized the present day needs and conditions to which Missionary workers will

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have to adjust their methode in order to make progress in Church work." We come to conventions to grow, and we grow by learning. One way of growing is to know facts or learn the history of Missionary work." She urged coördination in our work — developing all sides of ones nature. For illustration she used the driving of a motor car. She mentioned the number of things one must know how to operate besides merely the use of the steering wheel. She then told us historical facts of the work in South Africa. It was not started until the end of the eighteenth century. She told of the German Missionaries, the Glasgow missionaries, of Lovedale Institute, Pimual, of the native Missionary whose conversion is considered a miracle — and finally of Bishop Turner, the first Colored Missionary of our own Church, who so endeared himself to the natives that they have ever since wanted their own to lead them; and sent a wreath of silver leaves by Mrs. Vernon to be placed upon the grave of Bishop Turner as a token of their love.

Mrs. Vernon was followed by Bishop Vernon, who spoke of the General Conference to be held in Indianapolis in 1928 and of the Bishop's Council to be held in Detroit. Both bodies will be entertained by the Bishop and he extended a cordial invitation to the Indiana Missionaries to attend the Detroit meeting which begins June 24th. As a special feature for the ladies, an elaborate Garden Party is being arranged. Friday night will be Missionary Night. The Bishops who have really worked the Mission fields will be present and speak — none others will be eligible.

The Bishop then added details of the African field work which Mrs. Vernon had omitted. He told of the houses made of cow manure and mud in which the natives live — of reading the Bible by the light of a candle stuck in dried mud. Of mothers who live on mealy mush and earn twenty cents a week,

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giving half of it for a school to educate their children. Of native preachers, dressed in just a loin cloth, some with shirts only, others just as scantily clad, who had walked one hundred miles and slept in caves to get to the Conference. These men would say, "I thank you for this appointment Bishop" when they were being sent back to fever-infected districts where most die; this because they had a zeal to work for God whatever the cost. The vision had been theirs. This was really a stirring and convincing plea made for foreign work.

The Bishop then spoke of Hastings Banda, the African student being educated at Wilberforce. Briefly reciting his history, he told of a plan by which the uncertainty of the funds for educating him could be ended. His expenses for schooling, clothes and spending money would amount to approximately $450. for the year. The Mich. Missionaries had promised to pay one third, $150 per year. The Illinois Missionaries had pledged $150 per year and he desired the Indiana Missionaries to take action upon the other third. The plan was to have a trust fund established by these three Conference Branches to continue until his education is completed. Then he will go back as a Missionary to his native land.

A motion was offered by Mrs. Lena Ramey, Anderson and seconded by Mrs. Ethel Henry, Muncie, that we pledge our Bishop $150 per year for the education of Hastings Banda. (Carried)

The Bishop spoke of the fine support the Ministers of Indiana are giving him - and commended them for attending the Missionary Convention.

The President called all the Ministers present to come foward and be presented to the Convention: Rev. Brown, Lafayette, Smith, Muncie, Jackson, P.E. of Ind'p'ls. District, Upthegrove, P.E. Evansville Dist., Moorman, Crawfordsville, Cravens, Ind'p'ls., Nichols.

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Logansport, Patterson, Frankfort, Shannon, Ind'pl's, Dr. Ida Mae Miller and Dr. Mary Evans both of Indianapolis were introduced. Dr. Upthegrove was selected as spokesman for the group. He thanked the Convention for the support given them by the women. He assured them that if there was any seeming opposition to their work by the Ministers, it was a mistake of the head and not of the heart. For they all are happy over the help the Missionary women are giving to the Christian work.

The Ministers wives were introduced. They were Mrs. Miller, Pres. of Ky. Conference Branch.

" Smith, Muncie and Mrs. Craven Indianapolis. Mrs. Miller spoke for the group. She expressed her happiness at being in our midst and listening to the sermon by Dr. Ida Mae Miller this A.M. and the addresses by Bishop and Mrs. Vernon. She expressed the pleasure at hearing first hand missionary facts of the work in South Africa which they brought to us.

The Bishop's party retired and were entertained with a sightseeing tour.

Miss Miller spoke of the token of appreciation that the Indiana women gave Mrs. Vernon. It is a beautiful tapestry, framed and hung in a conspicuous place in the Episcopal residence in Detroit. Again Miss Miller made an appeal for subscriptions for the Woman's World. She urged the women to boost their paper and make it a grand success by 1928.

The reports of districts were resumed.

Richmond District.

Richmond	$25.00
Allen Chapel, Ind'pl's.	$125.00
St. John, Ind'pl's.	$90.00
Schaffer Chapel	
Carthage	$8.00
Kokomo	$30.00

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Bethel, Marion ---------- $30.00
Allen Temple, Marion ---------- $43.00
Bethel, Muncie ---------- $74.46
Anderson ---------- $31.12
Fountain City ----------
Portland Circuit ---------- $5.00
Connersville ---------- $5.00
Seymore Circuit ----------
Hills Chapel ----------
Total from Districts reported:—
Evansville District ---------- $85.00
Richmond " ---------- $227.00
Indianapolis " ---------- $283.07

A communication from Sister Ratliffe from Detroit, Mich. was read by Miss Samuels. She sent $1.50 as a donation to the Convention.

The Chairman of each Department read the list of all moneys received and them with the Financial Secy., after which they reported to the Finance Com.

The Chairman of the Art Dept. invited the Convention to inspect her exhibit.

Adjourn for supper.

Friday Night.

An Illustrated Lecture was given By Bishop Vernon. The pictures were made by Mrs. Vernon. The machine was operated by Rev. C. S. Brown. The sum of $46.00 was realized from the Lecture

Saturday A. M. 9:00.

The Devotional Service was conducted by the State Pres. assisted by Mrs. Henry, Muncie and Delegates from Lafayette, Richmond and Franklin. Mrs. Hines was at the piano.

The meeting was opened by singing "My Faith Looks Up To Thee". Scripture lesson was read by Miss Julia Davis, Franklin, Matth 6th Chapter. Song "More About Jesus" was sung. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Sarah Reberford, Ind'pls.

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"Dwelling In Beulah Land" was sung.
Testimonial meeting was entered into with fervor.
The Pres. called the meeting to order and asked the Chairman of Dep'ts. to take their places.
The Roll of Officers was called by Mrs. Relerford.
The Journal of Thursday night's session and Friday Morning session were read and adopted. The Journal of the afternoon session was read and adopted with minor corrections.
The Roll of Delegates was read by Mrs. Relerford.
Miss Long, Vincennes, report $8. 00 Assessment
The Pres. called for the final reports of all Dep't Heads if they had any more money collected since yesterday. There were no reports to be made.
Mrs. Hines reported the Mite Box money and was instructed to keep half of it for the Delegates expenses to the Quadrennial.
Paper - "The Spiritual Qualifications For A Missionary" was read by Mrs. Gibson, Indianapolis. She summed up the qualifications as faith in God, surrender of self, love, kindness, cheer and friendliness.
Discussion was led by Mrs. Hood, Terre Haute. She declared that the qualifications of a missionary were best depicted by the 13th Chapter of the 1st Corinthians. Miss Mame Long of Vincennes followed Mrs. Hood in the discussion with a paper on the topic. She also believed the 1st Cor. 13 Chapter described best the qualifications of a missionary and the the one word Love included them all.
Mrs. Shannon, 2nd V.P. was led to the Presidents Chair and called Mrs. Miller, Pres. of the Ky. Conference Branch to the platform with her. One verse of "Take The Name Of Jesus with you was sung by the Convention.
The Bishop came by to tell us good-bye and Dr. Ida Mae Miller was asked to take lunch to the station.
He expressed his happiness over our helping to provide for the education of Hastings Banda. His picture will be given and a sketch of his life provided. A person selected by the three Conference Branches, Michigan, Illinois and Indiana will handle the fund. He hoped we had grown to know

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the Mission work better than the Lecture he brought to us last night. He was going to the Trustee Board meeting at Wilberforce. He mentioned $1000 he is taking to Wilberforce to pay the teachers salaries. He promised to try to arrange to meet us again next year.

Mrs. Hill, Pres., read her annual message. The V. Pres. Mrs. Shannon presided. She stated that the thought of helping others has always been uppermost in her mind. She asked each delegate to give service for Christ and to exercise patience with each other, with the Young People, with yourself and with Christ. She desired us to be patient, cheerful and full of love to one another.

There should be no cliques. The Church of God is one big family, presided over by God and we are his children.

Speaking of the State Officers she declared them loyal and helpful in putting over the President's plan this year.

The Penny Drive was to raise the Quadrennial assessment and State expenses; so the assessment could be divided 50% for unpaid preachers and 50% for Foreign Missions.

She reported a little boy was sent to Camp by the Missionary Conference last summer. Expense of ($7.50) seven dollars and fifty cents, taken from the Education Dept.

Hastings Banda was brought to Ind'p'ls. for the Holidays. He was given $12.00. The Franklin women entertained him and also Allen Chapel, Ind'p'ls. They gave him $11.00. St. John's, Ind'p'ls. gave him $20.00. The Conference Branch sent him money to come to Indianapolis and paid his board.

Bedding and a miscellaneous shower were also given him and his Xmas. was made a memorable one.

A young girl in Michigan is being helped also. She was sent money and a dress pattern from which she made herself a beautiful dress.

Henry Stone, Wilberforce, was sent a pair of blankets also. He is being helped by the Conference Branch.

Most Ministers are coöperating and this makes the work prosper stated the President.

The work thru out the State is in good condition. Industrial conditions have not been the best, but the women have done well. It is not worthwhile to work outside of the Church. Any good thing can be organized in the Church and the Pres. urged the women to work in the Church.

The ministers can coöperate by speaking of our work from the pulpit.

She spoke of the Modern Age problem as being universal. Young People - Suffer from the slackness in home training. The fault was laid at the Mother's door. The Moving Pictures do not affect the Y. P's church attendance as much as it does the older people. The President declared no one should preside over the Missionary Society who did not attend Prayer Meeting and Class Service occasionally at any rate.

Prayer was eulogized by the Pres. who urged the women to get in the spirit of prayer.

Our beloved dead comprised four Bishops, W. D. Chappell, W. N. Beckett, Benj F. Lee, Connor. Also Rev. Milton Spark and Julius Harris passed from our own Conference.

The Pres. has worked in her own as well as several of the local Societies of Indianapolis.

A motion was offered by Mrs. White and seconded by Mrs. Henry to adopt the President's report. (Carried)

Mrs. Jefferson of Ind'pls. was introduced to the Convention by the State Pres. before her paper was called. She was praised as an ideal mother and Missionary worker.

Rev. Cottman, Spruce St. Terre Haute was introduced to the Convention. He brought the report of Spruce St. Church to the Convention.

Mrs. Jefferson, Ind'pls, read a paper "The Decline Of Church Going." She said, in part, The decline is because Churches are established for what they can get out of it rather than for what they can put into a community. Members are secured for Treasury profit and not for the saving of souls.

Consecrations in religious effort was mentioned. Churches

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must use the wisest methods to reach and hold the people. They could learn from the Y. M. C. A. No family altars and lack of fervent prayer are also causes for the decline. None of the Delegates who were assigned to discuss the subject were present so there was no discussion.

The Vice President, Mrs. Shannon, called for the next paper— "The Pleasure And Profit In Bible Study." This was presented by Miss Sadie Weaver, Y. P.'s Dep't., Marion. The paper was splendid and showed much thought on the part of the writer.

The Bloomington Delegate, Mrs. Evans, opened the discussion with a fine paper. The Lafayette delegate ? spoke upon the same subject.

"Down At The Cross" was sung by the Convention. Paper, "Young People's Place In The M. E. Church" was read by Miss Glenna Lee of Carthage.

The Chair. of Memorial Committee asked her Com. to meet immediately after lunch.

The Chairman of the Resolution Com. read the names of her Com. and asked the same thing. A similar request was made by the Chairman of the Lay Roll Com.

Mrs. Callie Dennis, Coppin Chapel Ind'p'ls. read a paper on the Spiritual Qualifications of a Missionary.

The Board Meeting being adjourned, the Pres. returned and took the Chair.

Dr. Miller left for home and the Pres. appointed Miss Sadie Weaver of Marion to take subscriptions for the Women's Recorder. She will turn them over to the Pres. who will see that Dr. Miller gets them.

Mrs. Stewart of Ind'p'ls. sent $1.00 to the Missionary Society of Kokomo.

The Pres. explained that the women would be called upon to help entertain at the Gen'l. Conference in Ind'p'ls. She wished each one to hold herself in readiness to help when called upon.

Adjourned by repeating the Watchword. Dinner

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Saturday Afternoon 1:30 P.M.

Devotionals were led by the Y.P. Dep't.— Miss Lavenia Dempsey, New Castle, Miss Ida McCullough, Carthage.

Song "When Love Shines In" was sung. Miss Mamie Long, Vincennes was at the piano.

Prayer by Mrs. White, Connersville.

Song - "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder"

Testimonials

The Pres. introduced Mrs. Anna Watkins, Ind'pl's. a former State Officer. She invited her within the bar of the officers.

The Pres. explained that each member in the local bodies is expected to pay 50¢ annual dues to the Convention. This will be counted upon our assessment. She asked the members to begin working upon their assessments immediately.

She also stressed the Topic Cards for use in the Missionary meetings. She desires the Presidents to put some pep into their meetings and make them attractive enough to hold and interest the members.

She asked the women to visit the homes that really needed them and go prepared to do whatever needed to be done.

Mrs. Manuel, Ind'pl's. endorsed the words of the President.

The following visitors were brought forward by Mrs. Willis and introduced:- Mrs. McDonald, Rec. S. of the Baptist Missionary Society and her two daughters. Mrs. McDonald responded and sang a song at special request, "I Know A Great Savior, I Do, Don't You".

Dr. Miller gave a farewell to the Convention. She regretted not having heard the President's Annual Address. She eulogized our President as a fine Christian leader and exhorted the women to follow her guidance and to hold up the arms of our President. She is leaving to render the Baccalaureate Sermon at Wilberforce. She praised the kindness of God and her Conference and the women of Indiana generally for all goodness shown her. Mrs. Carrie Willis, Mrs. Hill, Miss Samuels, Dr. Mary Evans all were mentioned as having helped

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Dr. Miller in a physical as well as spiritual way.

Miss Florence was introduced and made a short talk. She is the spiritual daughter of Dr. Miller, who spoke very highly of her sterling qualities and Christian sweetness.

Greetings were read by Mrs. Flossie Bailey, Marion, from the Michigan Conference Branch and also from Harry Stone and Hastings Banda. The young girl in Mich. who is being aided sent greetings but they were misplaced by the President, who expressed the greetings for her.

By common consent the greetings were accepted.

Mrs. Ratliffe, a former Pres. sent greetings. A silver offering was taken for her. She is ill in Detroit. Seven dollars and fifty cents was given. Ten dollars will be sent Mrs. Ratliffe.

The Finance Com. made the following report:- Total Receipts $16 56.82. Expense - $124.86 Bal. in treasury $1544.46

The President stated that the Young People and Educational Dept's. would hold their money until Conference and half of it would be given to the Annual Conference. One half of the Mite Box money will be kept also.

The Finance Com. was instructed to deduct the expense and the Y.P. and Education money and take the remainder to the bank and get a certified check for the same.

The Chairman of the Pay Roll Com. was instructed to turn over the money for the bills to the Finance Com. who will pay the bills.

Young Peoples' Mass Meeting.

A splendid program by the Y.P. was given, directed by Mrs. Snorden, Chair Y.P. Dept. and Miss Hoffman Lafayette

The Chairman of the Cur. Dept. made another appeal. She displayed a beautiful quilt for which eleven members will contest next year. The largest amount over fourteen dollars (14.00) will entitle the one who brings it in the quilt. The contestants are as follows:-

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Mrs. Bailey, Marion
" Hiser, Ind'pl's.
" Evans, Bloomington
" Neil, Ind'pl's.
" Demarkis "
" Dearman "
" McCollough, Carthage
" Wallis, Franklin
" Motley, Lafayette.
" Manuel, Indianapolis.

The President instructed the local societies to hold their elections in July and to go to work immediately upon next years program.

She explained that last year Hastings Banda had received over $100 from the Indiana Conference Branch, besides bedding and clothing. She stated the $50.00 would be paid toward his education drawn from the Education Fund. That the local presidents would be given instructions about raising money for him.

Mrs. Shannon was appointed custodian of Hastings Banda's things. They will be sent to her to be kept until he goes to school in the Fall.

The Y.P.'s meeting opened with Mrs. Flossie Bailey, Marion Ass't. Chairman as Mistress of Ceremonies.

Solo-Cornet - - - Clarence Hoffman, Lafayette
Pantomime "Columbia, Gem Of The Ocean" - By five young girls
Address: "Our First Three Bishops" - Miss Mildred Taylor, Terre Haute.
Instrumental Solo - - - Miss Geneva Henry, Muncie.
Instrumental Duet - - The Misses Silence, Lafayette.
Piano Solo - - - Mr. Oliver Harton Lafayette.
Pantomime - "The Holy City" - Small child from Lafayette.

The audience would not be pleased with one rendition and applauded until the number was repeated.

The Banner was won this year by the Franklin Y.P's Society. They raised $26.35. The Banner was presented to Miss Evelyn Evans by Miss Snorden, State Chair. of Young People's Dept.

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The report of the Statistician, Mrs. Nellie Gibson, Ind'pls: was read and adopted.

The election of Delegates to the Quadrennial was next entered upon. The Pres. explained that we are entitled to five or six delegates. The Conference Branch will be expected to pay the board, travelling expenses of delegates and furnish spending money for incidentals.

The dues of the Quadrennial are one dollar a year or four dollars for the four years. The State President is a member of the Quadrennial by virtue of her office. She will not have to be voted upon but will have to have credentials. She also stated the Drs. Ida Mae Miller and Mary Evans are asking to be sent at their own expense. All they want from the Conference Branch is their credentials.

Mrs. Shannon, V. P. took the Chair while the Delegates were being elected

Mrs. Clark made a motion that the State Pres. be our Delegate and the rules were suspended and she was unanimously elected. The following persons were placed in nomination:- Mrs. Samuels, Ind'pls. Mrs. Shannon, Ind'pls. Mrs. Cane, Franklin Mrs. Bailey, Marion, Mrs. Stuart, Ind'pls, and Mrs. Reberford Ind'pls. All nominees declined except Mrs. Bailey. She explained she would pay a part of her expense so that we would be entitled to one more Delegate. Mrs. Shannon was elected. The motion prevailed to give credentials to Drs. Mary Evans and Ida Mae Miller.

Mrs. Miller, Pres. of the Kentucky Conference Branch was asked to preside at the election of State Officers. She declined in favor of Mrs. Cane of Franklin. Rev. Craven, Ind'pls. and Rev. Cottman, Terre Haute were appointed Tellers. The Chairman of Credential Com. reported the voting strength to be sixty five.

Song, "I Need Thee Every Hour" was sung.

Prayer was offered by Dexter Hillis,

The election resulted as follows:-

Mrs. Gertrude B. Hill Ind'pls. Pres.

Mrs Jessie Shannon, First Vice Pres

Mrs. Lena Ramey Anderson, Second Vice Pres.,
Mrs. Daisy Ernestine Ford Terre Haute, Recording Secy.
Mrs. Lida Samuels, Ind'pl's, Corresponding Secretary.
Mrs. Sarah Relerford, Ind'pl's, Treasurer
Miss Millie Hoffman, Lafayette Parliamentarian
Mrs. Lyda Craven, Ind'pl's, Statistician

Executive Board.

Mrs. Mary E. Black, Richmond.
" Julia Davis, Franklin
" Flossie Bailey, Marion
" Nellie Gibson, Indianapolis
" Mayme Carlyle, Kokomo.
" Lyda Craven Ind'pl's.

Mrs. Glenna Lee, Carthage declined the nomination as did Mrs. Hardrick of Ind'pl's.

Mrs. Mayme Carlyle of Kokomo invited the Convention to hold their next meeting in Kokomo. The invitation was accepted by the Convention.

Announcements: Rev. Charles Watkins will preach the Sunday afternoon sermon for the Convention.

The new officers were installed by Rev. Pittman, Terre Haute

The report of the Topic Cards Com. was read by Mrs. Flossie Bailey, Marion. The topics are taken from the book of John. The topics for each month were read.

Motion to adopt the report prevailed.

The Pres. and some of the State Officers made a pilgrimage to the grave of Mrs. Craven after the afternoon session.

The Treas. reported $8 42.08 put in the bank this afternoon.

The Penny Drive paid all the Quadrennial tax this year and the Executive Board has decided to use the Penny Drive again this year.

Mrs. Evans, Bloomington and Miss Long, Vincennes both reported on the special problems of their Districts. Mrs. Dison also.

Mrs. Benson, Richmond, was called home. So she read a paper, "Christian Service" at the afternoon session.

The Water was enjoyed by all.

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Mrs. White Chairman of Education department, thanked the Convention for its support the past six years. That seemed to start a testimonial meeting among the Delegates; and they told of the little intimate details of their sacrifice which made us all feel closer and dearer to each other.

Saturday Night Session

Devotionals were led by volunteers. "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" was sung. Scripture, Ps. 23d, was read by Mrs. C. P. Smith.

Prayer was offered by Brother Willis, Lafayette.

"Leaning On The Everlasting Arms" was sung.

Mrs. Crumpacker and Pls. and Mrs. C. P. Smith discussed the subject "Christian Service."

A paper, "The Relation Of The Missionary To The Local Church" was read by Mrs. May Gaskins, Tokomo. Discussion was opened by Mrs. Dearman of St. Paul Indpls. Miss Dempsey of New Castle also discussed the topic.

Greetings from Mrs. M. S. C. Beckett, Cor. Secy. of the Parent Body W. F. M., were read by the Pres. Mrs. Hill. She expressed her satisfaction with the results of the Missionary Work this year. She asked that Indiana send $100.00 to be used for purchasing a home for Missions in N. Y. to be used for the department and as a home for the incoming missionaries. No action was taken upon the request.

Memorial Services were conducted for the departed of 1925. Miss Millie Hoffman presided at the piano.

The Com. on Memoirs retired from the auditorium to return in a body and occupy the front seat.

One verse of "Lead Kindly Light" was sung.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Brown, Lafayette.

"Nearer My God To Thee" was sung.

The Com. made their report. Nineteen members have passed from labor to reward. The report was adopted.

Mrs. McDonald, Lafayette, sang the memorial solo "Will The Circle Be Unbroken By And By". The Com. was instructed to hand in the list of departed to the Secy.

Mrs. Dison, volunteered to fill the place of Mrs. Cottman, Terre Haute, who for years had led the Sun Rise Prayer Meting. Mrs. Ramey, Anderson also volunteered to assist.

Announcements by the Pres., Mrs. Hill were made. She made it plain that the Delegates are expected to attend all the services Sunday if they remain over Sunday.

While waiting for the Int Dept. report Mrs. Shannon, Endpl's., sang "In The Garden" very beautifully. The Convention joined in the singing of the Chorus.

Mrs. Miller, State Pres. of the Ky. Conference Branch was asked to come foward and give the Convention her parting message.

Bishop Gregg sent greetings to the Convention by Mrs. C. P. Smith.

The Art Dep't. under Mrs. Bailey made the report of the Y. P's. Popularity Contest. The Contestants were: Misses Sadie Weaver, Geneva Henry and Evelyn Evans. The first prize was won by Miss Sadie Weaver. Each contestant was given a token in appreciation of the effort made.

Mrs. Bailey presented Mrs. Hill Pres. with some towels as a token of esteem from the Convention.

Mrs. Ramey was instructed to add $2.50 from the Int. Dept. funds to the $7.50 collected for Mrs. Ratliffe and to send her $10.00.

A few remarks were made by Mrs. Jefferson.

The Y. P. Delegates were called foward. Each one made pleasing remarks to the Convention.

Mrs. Bailey reported that Hastings Banda had been entertained by the Marion M. S. and they had given him thirty dollars.

"Have Thine Own Way Lord" was hummed by the Convention afterwhich Mrs. C. P. Smith spoke the Benediction.

Sunday A. M.

Sunrise Prayer Meting was led by Mrs. Ramey and Dison.

The meeting was opened by singing "My Faith Looks Up To Thee" Scripture lesson Math VI was read by Mrs. Julia Davis. Sang "More About Jesus". Prayer by

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Mrs. Relerford Song "Dwelling in Beulah Land."
Testimonials were given. Twenty three persons attended this early service and the Holy Spirit poured out its blessings upon it.

At eleven o'clock the Convention worshipped with Rev. Brown and his congregation. The Lafayette choir beautifully rendered the music. Rev. Craven of Ind'pls. preached a soul-stirring sermon.

A special offering of fifteen dollars was taken up at this service for Dr. Brown who had left nothing in his power undone to make us comfortable and welcome.

Sunday School followed the dinner hour and many of the Delegates took an active part in it.

At three o'clock the Young People's Department under Mrs. Snorden and Mrs. Bailey presented M. Watkins of Indianapolis who preached the Convention Sermon. A group of young ladies from Marion thrilled the audience with their singing.

The Convention then went in business session to wind up reports.

The report of the Resolutions Com. was read and adopted. (See reports)

The report of the Finance Com. which was adopted gave the following totals :-

Assessments - - - -	$ 959.38
Educational - - - - - - - - -	112.25
Young People - - - - - - - -	146.30
Mothers - - - - - - - - -	83.86
Mite Boxes - - - - - - - -	42.53
Penny Drive - - - - - - - -	161.00
Contingent - - - - - - - -	50.50
Entertainment - - - - - - - - -	46.00
Art - - - - - - - - - -	40.00
Collection for Sister Ratcliffe - - -	9.50
Charleston - - - - - - - - - -	5.00
Grand Total	$1656.82
Expense Total	124.86
Bal. on hand	$1531.96

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Bal on hand	153.96
Cash added later	12.50
Total	154.46
Grand Total	1656.82
	1094.90
Cash left in Special Depts.	$561.92
Money Banked	$842.08
" left in Y. P. Dept.	26.85

Committee,
Mrs. Caine
" Jefferson
" Rilerford
Miss Evans

The President expressed pleasure at the manner and spirit in which the Convention had done its work. She especially commended the treatment of the subject matter contained in the papers and talks heard in the Convention.

At six o'clock the President conducted a beautiful Candle Light Service. "Let The Lower Lights Be Burning" was sung as the Convention held the lighted candles, signifying the light of the Word of Jesus Christ which they ever keep burning to guide humanity from the ways of sin and darkness. The Convention adjourned by repeating the Watch Word.

Daisy E. Ford, Secy.
Mrs. G. B. Hill Pres.

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Kokomo, Ind

June 9, 10, 11, 12.

The twenty-ninth Sessions of the Indiana Conference Branch Mite Missionary Society convened at Wayman A. M. E. Church, Kennard and Haven Streets, Kokomo, Ind., with Rev. St. P. D. Wallace, Presiding Elder, Rev. H. A. Perry, Pastor, and Mrs. Laura Barber Pres. of the local Missionary Society.

Thursday, 8:00 P.M. Executive Board Meeting. Thursday afternoon the Delegates began arriving and registered. The Executive Board went into session at three o'clock with Mrs. Gertrude B. Hill, Indianapolis, State Pres., presiding.

Meeting opened by singing "Blest Be The Tie That Binds", followed with sentence prayers from the members.

Mrs. Ethel Henry, Muncie read John 9:1-14 for a Scripture Lesson. The Roll Call showed thirteen members present:- Mrs. Hill, State Pres., Ind'p'ls.

Mrs. Assie Shannon, 1st Vice Pres., Ind'p'ls.
" Katheryn Samuels, Cor. Secy, "
" Daisy E. Hood, Rec. Sec'y. Terre Haute
" Sarah Relerford, Treasurer, Ind'p'ls
" Flossie Bailey, Ass't Y. P. Chairman, Marion
" Nettie Gibson, Ind'p'ls. Ex. Board Member.
" Mamie Carlyle, Kokomo. " " "
" Leota Snowden, Ind'p'ls., Y. P. Dep't. Chairman
" Helen Walden, New Castle, substituting for Mrs. Minnie Bailey
" Ethel Henry, Muncie, Chair. Mothers' Dep't.
" Tressa Heinz, Ind'p'ls, " Mite Boxes
" Arnetta White, Ind'p'ls, " Civics Dep't.

Five State Officers were absent because of illness, either of themselves or in their immediate family;
Mrs. Lena Ramey, Anderson, 2nd. Vice Pres. ill at Springfield Ill.
" Mary E. Black, Richmond, Board Member
" Julia Davis, Ind'p'ls. " "
" Hardrick, Education, moved out of the State
Miss Millie Hoffman, Parliamentarian, Lafayette, graduating from I.S.N.

Mrs. Lyda Craven, Ind'p'ls., Statistician was present.

Mrs. Minnie Bailey, New Castle, Art Dep't. Chairman sent Mrs. Helen Walden as substitute. Mrs. Bailey has had a special blessing given to her family, and the

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Pres. stated a letter of congratulation would be sent to her from this Convention before it close.

The Pres. expressed her gratitude to God for having brought her safely thru this year, and thanked the Board for the help it had rendered her. Speaking of the work, she explained that a Program Com. will be appointed during this Convention. That its work is to be reported at the Quadrennial Meeting in October.

She said the purpose of the Mothers Dept. is to get mothers together to discuss probtems peculiar to them. Each local should have a Mother's Program once a year. If not on Sunday, then during the week. Ite should work with young mothers and interest them in the good work they may do instead of just enjoying the pleasure side of life. She commended the ~~State Officers~~ for the work they are doing.

In the Y. P. Dept., we should stress methodism in their training. Teach them the Catechism, What the Church Stands For, Our Bishops and their wives. She said the Y. P. today are not as proud of their A. M. E. Church as we are because the do not get the training in childhood. She urged the women to stand by the Church in its trials as well as its triumphs She mentioned the abuses to which the telephone is often put. And asked the women to never use it to spread or listen to gossip. Gossip is murderous.

She promised to start our young women out for the next Quadrennial by forming a Com. of them for the work. She spoke of the Civics Dept. under Mrs. Arnetta White and said that Mrs. White will strive to get the women to keep the grass cut, to have tin cans and junk cleared up and our homes, parsonages and churches made more beautiful. This is the work of the Civics Dept.

Dept. Chairman reported as follows:-

Y. P. - Mrs. Snorden has sent out topics for discussion and promised a program during the Convention.

Mothers:-

Mrs. Henry has sent out forty-seven letters and a great deal of interest has been arousued.

Civics Dept:-

Mrs. White reported letters sent to every local

Responses had been received from four places.
Mrs. White is staging a beautifying and sanitation campaign.
Mite Boxes:-

Mrs. Heinz reported 144 Mite Boxes sent out. Almost every local had been reached. It was explained that every State Officers and every Dept. Chairman should take a Mite Box keep it a year and bring it back at the end of the year to the Confer- Branch Convention. The State Chairman will send boxes to the locals. State Officers report Mite Boxes to the State Chairman and the local society will get credit for it. Do not put boxes away, but place them where they can be seen and drop pennies in them as often as they are available.

The President said the State Officers are to pay their dues in their local societies like anybody else.

Art Dept:-

Mrs. Hill, State Pres, talked for the Art Dept., She explained that each local should send up something for the Art Dept. which could be sold. She asked the locals not to send up such expensive things that the value could not be gotten out of them. Send simple articles that can readily be disposed of. The Quilt Contest closes today said the President.

All Depts. are from the Parent Body except the Mothers. These Depts. are conducted as the Parent Body directs.

Education:-

Because Mrs. Hardrick the Dept. Chairman had moved to Wilberforce to enter school with her husband, the work had been directed by Mrs. Hill thru the State. She said the Societies had responded for education promptly and liberally. That she is keeping tab upon all girls and boys who have been helped. She has letters from them which will be read later. This help is being appreciated.

Parliamentarian:-

Miss Millie Hoffman Lafayette, is graduating from the Indiana State Normal and sent her regrets that she could not be present.

Treasurer:-

Mrs. Sarah E. Relerford read a Poem "My Daily Prayer" which was in line with the thoughts expressed by the State President.

All State Officers were asked if they had anything to bring to the Convention.

Mrs. Bailey brought greetings from Marion, Ind.

Mrs. White was appointed to assist Mrs. Walden with the Art Dept. work.

Remarks were made by Cor. Secy, Mrs. Hord, who state that they are using both boys and girls in the Y. Ps. dep't. That she is trying to make the Missionary Society have a wider appeal to the members of her Church. Discussion brought out the fact that several locals are using boys in their junior groups and this was said to be alright by the State President.

She (the President) explained that State Officers must be able to clear up points of doubt by the locals. They must be able to instruct them. She advised the State Officers to instruct local Presidents who are new to the work. She said each local had been given a Constitution. That this holds for four years. A new one will be sent in 1928. This is to be taken to the meetings and points at issue are to be decided by it. When a new set of officers is elected, leave the Constitution with them. It belongs to the Society not to an individual.

Send names and addresses to the Cor. Secy. and the State Pres., so your mail will be promptly received.

The Drive Cards report is as follows;-

Mrs. Hill	$8	
" Shannon	5	
" Hood	5	Mrs. Minnie Bailey was not expected to send anything this year.
" Craven	5	
" Carlyle	5	
" Relerford	5	
" White	5	
" Gibson	3	
" Henry	3	
" Flossie Bailey	5	
" Mary Beck	2.25	Total $46.25

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The President said that more than $1200 had been turned over to Conference last year.

That she has on hand $78.50 for Education, but the report would be given from the Convention floor later.

She asked that the Credentials being handed to to Mrs. Hood so the roll could be made out.

Announcements:-

General Session at 10:00 o'clock Friday morning.

Devotionals will be conducted by Mrs. M.B. McCullough, Indpe

Mrs. Barber, Kokomo, announced that a program and reception will be given the Delegates at eight o'clock. No admission will be charged but a collection will be taken.

Rev. Perry announced that the local paper wishes daily news items of the meeting sent it and that Breakfast will be served at Seven o'clock. The President asked the Delegates to get to breakfast on time.

The Pres. said she could never express in words her appreciation for the love shown her during her illness. So she would let her service show the extent of her gratitude.

The meeting adjourned to convene when called by the President.

Mrs. G.B. Hill, State President.
Mrs. D.E. Hood, Recording Secy.

Thursday Night Session
8:00 P.M.

The local Com. entertained the Convention with the following program:-

Choir and Congregation -- All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
Invocation ---- Rev. H.A. Perry
Chorus ---- Selected ---- Choir
Welcome Address in behalf of Missionaries -- Mrs. Laura Barber
Choir ---- Selected
Welcome Address in behalf of the Church -- Mr. S.D. Hughes
Instrumental Duet { Miss Kathryn Bridges / Miss Ruth Hughes
Greetings from City Federation of Missionary Societies
A talk on "Settlement Work and Neighborhood House" by Miss Dorthea Fox

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Quartette - Negro Spiritual - { Mrs. Hazel Dugan, Mrs. Natalie McCreary
Mrs. Anna Vaughn, Mrs. Nettie Perkins.
Greeting from Neighbor Churches -- "Two Lines Of Today (Orig.)" Miss Lizzie Kay.
Encore no. "Yes! She Is A Missionary".
Choir - - - - - - - - Selected -
Reading - - "Missionary Situation" - - - Mrs. Bennie Edwards.
Duet - - - - - { Mrs. Francis Bowling
Mrs. Mattie Thomas
Welcome Address in Behalf of Junior Missionaries - - Miss Martha Black.
Solo - - - - Selected - - - - - - - Mrs. R. J. Williamson
Reading - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Mrs. Edna Black.
Solo - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Mrs. Alice Bassett
Response by Recording Secy. - - - - - Mrs. Daisy E. Hood, Terre Haute.
Presentation of Flowers to State Pres. - - - - - Miss Orpha Ford.
A very beautiful acceptance speech was made by the State Pres., Mrs. G. B. Hill, Ind'pls.

Offertory conducted by Rev. H. A. Perry, who explained the three African Rules of giving as follows:-
1. Everybody give. 2. Everybody give liberally. 3 Give Promptly.
Announcements by Rev. Perry.
" " Mrs. Hill, State Pres.;
Song Service at nine o'clock conducted by Sister M. V. McCullough, Carthage
Rev. Pope of Bethel, Ind'pls. will preach Friday night.
All Delegates coming in please register and have credentials so her committees could be made out for Friday A. M. Session.
After the program the Delegates were served in the Church parlors.

Friday Morning 9:00 o'clock.

Devotionals were led by Mrs. M. V. McCullough, Carthage.
The State Officers were led into the Convention by Rev. H. A. Perry and Mrs. Laura Barker, the Pastor and Missionary Pres., respectively, of the local Society.
Opening Song "Rock Of Ages" - - - Convention
Rev. Craven, St. Paul, Ind'pls. acted as Master of Ceremonies in the absence of P. E., W. P. A. Wallace of the Northern District.
Prayer was offered by Dr. Ida Mae Miller, Ind'pls.
"Sweet Hour Of Prayer" was sung by Choir and Convention
Scripture Lesson was read by Rev. A. L. Washington, Marion
"His Eye Is On The Sparrow" was sung. Afterwards

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Rev. Craven introduced Mrs. Hill, the State President. She presented Dr. Mary G. Evans of Indianapolis, who preached the Annual Sermon.

She began her sermon by having the Convention repeat the Chorus of "His Eye Is On The Sparrow" and then to hum it softly. This put us all in the spiritual attitude to receive the message she brought to us. Her text was taken from Isaiah 62:10. "Go Thru. Prepare ye the way of the people. Cast out the stones etc. Subject announced as "Our Task. Yours And Mine." "Isaiah accomplished because he was unafraid. He not only loved God, but trusted God. We best love those whom we profess to love when we do not compromise with them or for them," said the speaker. Missionaries should not boast themselves, not make display of how much they have done; but work in humility of spirit as Kingdom builders for the Master. The charge to the missionary women is "Go thru", and the promise is "the gates of hell shall not prevail against you". Don't stop if you want victory. If you want to do something for somebody else, it depends upon how well we gather the stones. Get the stones out of your own hearts and lives and Jesus will help us to gather them out of the lives of others. The three greatest stones in our lives said the speaker are 1. Hatred. We can't be kingdom builders unless we have love for men and women. Hatred must be cast out. Where the kingdom is, God is. God is love and hate is not there. Get rid of that "better than thou" feeling. Go in the spirit of love.

2. Distrust. We must believe in people if we would help them. Go in bigness of faith and sow the seed if you wish it to fall upon good ground. Suspicions of your members and their acts will not help you build for the Master. Believe in them, no matter how they live. There is the yearning, the climb up out of sin and live better lives in the heart of everyone.

3. Jealousy. - Petty jealousy. Go thru by gathering out of our hearts the stone of jealousy. There is enough room, and a place for everyone who wants to

serve. Pray God to give a willingness to cast out the stone of jealousy. "Go thru," preparing the way for those whom you would serve by gathering the stones out of our own lives. Lift the standard of living in our homes and it will be reflected in the Church. Lift the standard of living in the Church and great shall be the harvest, because the gates of hell shall not prevail against you. Go thru with Him - no matter what the cost, renew your missionary pledge." A soul-stirring, heart-probing sermon from the lips of our own Dr. Mary. The Convention was both proud of her and filled with the spirit because of the message she brought.

Song:- "He Leadeth Me" and "All The Way My Savior Leads Me" were sung with enthusiasm by the Convention.

The Communion was administered by Rev. Pope, Ind'l assisted by all the visiting Ministers present.

After the Communion Service the Lord's Prayer was repeated by the Convention. The State Pres., Mrs. Hill, called the Young People Delegates foward for consecration.

"Precious Jewels" was sung & Dr. Ida Mae Miller offered the prayer of Consecration and Dr. Mary G. Evans led in singing "I know A Great Savior, Don't You". The right hand of fellowship was given. There was a great outpouring of the spirit and the State Pres. expressed the thought of all, when she said that we had been repaid for all our sorrows and trials this year by the blessings of this meeting.

The pages passed programs while the State Officers and Dep't. Chairmen took their places.

The President declared the 1927 Convention opened, Mrs. Snorden, Ind'l's., organized her Y. P. for singing.

The following Committies were announced by the Cor. Secy., Mrs. Samuels, Ind'l's:-

Finance:
Effie Bass
Julia Jefferson
M. V. McCullough
Anna Watkins
Nettie Gibson

Nomination:-
Dr. Ida Mae Miller
Ida McCullough
Ethel Hyte
Laura Barber
Addie Burden

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Resolutions:-
Cora Graham
Mary Montgomery
Katie Neal
Lillie Lindsey
Cecelia Weaver

Memorial:-
Hannah Nichols
Mary E. Nelson
Sallie Rice
Leona Halsey
Cassie Jackson.

Pay Roll:-
Dr. Mary G. Evans
Florence Brown
Elizabeth Overton
Beulah Lewis
Helen Brown.

Courtesy:-
Margaret Robertson
Narcissus Holt
Gertrude Motley
Francis Wilson

Credentials:-
Flossie Bailey
Mary Gray
Mildred Taylor
Zilma Gibson
Sarah Manuel

Marshalls:-
Pauline Goens
Flossie Weir
Leona Halsey
Amanda Scott
Esther Johnson.

Finance Com. Chairman called her Com. to meet at one o'clock.
Song "Brighten the Corner Where You Are" was sung. Miss Juanita Watkins, Frankfort, at the piano.
Adjourned for dinner to reconvene at 1:30 P.M.

Friday Afternoon. 1:30 P.M.

Devotionals were conducted by Mrs. Snorden, Ind'pls. and the Choir from the Y.W. Dep't Mrs. Lyda Craven, Ind'pls., presided at the piano.

The singing was enthusiastic and verses of Scripture were repeated by those present. Mrs. Snorden called upon Rev. Watkins, Frankfort, to make a talk to the meeting. He made a strong plea for more consecrated missionary zeal. After the Devotionals, the Pres. called the Afternoon Session to order. The Pres. announced that all persons having bills should present them to the Pay Roll Com. That the names of all board mem-

passed on this year should be given the Chairman of the Memorial Com. The reports of Locals by Districts were called for.

Northern District.

Allen Chapel, Indp'ls	$2.61	
St. John "	$1,12.50	
St. Paul "	45.72	
Richmond	82.54	
Kokomo	65.70	
Bethel, Marion	87.50	
Allen Temple, Marion	20.00	statistical report sent.
Bethel, Muncie	33.27	partial report
Chaffee Chapel, Muncie -- no report.		
Anderson, Mrs. Ramey is ill in Springfield, O. Promised report would be sent.		
Lafayette	36.00	
Logansport	8.00	
Crawfordsville -- no report.		
Noblesville	21.76	
New Castle	14.10	
Frankfort - Lebanon	17.65	
Peru	7.00	
Fountain City	7.41	
Portland, Connersville, Hills Chapel, Carthage } no report.		
	9.00	
Totals for Northern Dist.:-		
Young People Dep't.	$103.37	
Mite Boxes	41.80	
Mother's Dep't.	67.00	
Art Dep't.	27.00	
Total from all sources	$835.26	

The President mentioned that St. John, Indp'ls has a yearly Missionary Rally. It was suggested that each local have one, when all members of the Church may have a part in helping the cause of missions.

All money for subscription to paper should be given to Mrs. Flossie Bailey, Marion.

The President urged the locals to subscribe for one of

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the Church papers before the Convention's close.

While the check up of the Northern District was being made, the Convention sang "Let The Little Sunshine In".

The Courtesy Com. presented the following visitors to the Convention:-

Rev. Pope, Bethel, Ind'p'ls., Rev. A. L. Washington, Marion,
Rev. Brown, Lafayette, Rev. Shannon, Allen Chapel, Ind'p'ls,
Mrs. Fanning, Frankport, Mrs. Bell Manson, Lafayette,
Mrs. Price, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Leslie all of Lafayette, Mrs. Hill, Ind'p'ls,
Mrs. Mazie Burnett, Wash., D.C., Mrs. Ethelyn Bass, Lafayette,
Mrs. Brown, Wabash, Mrs. Lindsey, Marion, Mrs. C. P. Smith
Charleston, Misses Eunice King, Lebanon, Loretta Stovall, Ind'p'ls.

Rev. Pope spoke for the Ministers present. He said he knew of no group of women who are doing so much for kingdom building as missionary women. He pleaded for measuring missionary success not so much by the amount of money raised as by the missionary spirit engendered in the churches. He congratulated the Convention on the work he had seen them doing.

Mrs. C. P. Smith spoke for the women visitors. Her remarks are always timely and well received.

Miss Eunice King, Lebanon, spoke for the Y. P. visitors present.

Five minutes recess was taken by the Convention.

Reconvened by singing "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms" and "Glory To His Name"

The report of Southern District was called for and the following places responded:-

Southern District

Bethel, Ind'p'ls.	$302.35
Coppin Chapel	27.10
Evansville -- report sent. red by Con. Secy.	32.00
Allen Chapel, Terre Haute	69.00
Spruce Stret, Terre Haute, report sent.	45.00
French Lick -- report sent.	19.50
New Albany -- no report.	
Bloomington - sent report - red by Mrs. Shannon.	18.00
Vincennes -- no report.	

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Jeffersonville		22.40
Mt. Vernon	no report.	
Princeton	sent	9.00
Lyles	no report	
Franklin		31.27
Washington	sent	13.50
Bedfort	"	7.54
Coxydon - Charleston		3.00
Clinton - Rockville }	no report	
Seymore - Brazil }		
Plainfield		5.00
Vernon Missin -		1.00
Totals		
Young People Dep't.		26.51
Mite Boxes		22.27
Mother's Dep't.		13.75
Art Dep't	partial report	7.60
Total from all sources		$613.16
Total for both Districts at this time		1472.24
Disbursements		117.88
Bal on hand		1354.36

The Educational Money will be reported by Districts in the morning.

The report of the Quilt Contest was made. It showed a large number of contestants had withdrawn.

Mrs. Revels, Kokomo ----	5.50
Geneva Shelton, Muncie	10.00
Sarah Mannel, Ind'p'ls	50
Total	16.00

Miss Henry won the quilt.

The President displayed cards at 5¢ per bearing the picture of the Women's Building at Monrovia, West Coast Africa, purchased by the late Mrs. Nora Taylor. She died without ever seeing it. The Pages passed them the Convention and sold them while the final reports on the Quilt Contest were being prepared.

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Song "Thou Thinkest Lord Of Me" was sung by the Convention.
Paper, "Hope The Anchor Of The Soul" was read by Mrs. Sallie Rice, St. Johns, Ind'p'ls. The discussion was led by Mrs. Cottman, Logansport. Song, "I Shall Not Be Moved" led by Dr. Mary G. Evans further expressed the thoughts presented by the two speakers that Jesus is the anchor of the soul. Remarks by Sarah Manuel, Ind'p'ls. upon the same subject were made.
Paper, "What Christianity Has Given To The World" was read by Julia Jefferson, Ind'p'ls. Among other things, she said it had given the world cheer, happiness, comfort — made us think and realize that there is something beyond this life. Has given inspiration for all that is highest and best and inspired the noblest deeds of which the world boasts. Discussion was led by Mary E. Nelson, Coppin Chapel, Ind'p'ls., followed by Mrs. Helen Walden, New Castle, who summed up the subject by saying Christianity had given the world Churches, schools, civilization. Francis Wilson, Peru, presented a splendid paper upon the same topic.
Song -- "He Is So Precious To Me" -- Y. P's. Choir.
Dr. Miller called her Nominating Com. to meet immediately following the afternoon session. She explained the work of the Nominating Com. The Australian Ballot will be used in selecting our offices this year. This will shorten the time required to conduct the election. Other Conference Branches are using this method and we are adopting it in our Conference Branch.
The State President's Message was a Masterpiece, closing as she said four years of work; but pleasant and profitable because of the loyalty of the women, the Bishop and his wife, Ministers, & Young People. She has had loyal support from all.
Departments:-
The work of the Educational Dep't. is so well known that it is not necessary to dwell upon it said the President
Mothers. — She explained the work of this Dep't. is to get mothers to discuss those things that will help some boy or girl. Turn their activities into more useful channels.

Young People. – If the Church succeeds in years to come we must put the Y. P. to work – give them something to do, sympathize with them, encourage them. Don't nag them. She explained that the Art Dept. money is used for our expenses. The Civic Dept is to help beautify yards, front and back in the homes, churches, parsonages etc. It takes so little to beautify homes, yards. A few flowers, a little effort bring such big returns. She answered the question "Why Have Depts?" Because it is a step in progress. We must seek out something to give the women to do to keep them interested. The Education report will be given Saturday. She stated that she wanted to do more this year than her strength would permit. But she had been able to visit Flora Grant, Coppin Chapel and Connersville. She brought in eighteen dollars for the Penny Drive. Hastings Banda had come to see her a few weeks ago and told of his success. "The Church is not dying out," said the President. "It is no place for cliques and clans to hold forth. It is not an insurance company against losses in the world to come. It is a place to work. The happiest people are those who work most. Our work has succeeded so well we must go forward. Missionary women are the hardest workers in all the church activities. The need is for consecrated, self-sacrificing, soul-saving women who attend Church prayer meetings and pour out their spirit in praise to God. Women who visit the sick and do real kingdom-building work. God's Church is led on by prayer and we must pray or there is no joy in Christian service. Give unselfish service like the Master's. Such love we must have for humanity as he had. Let down your buckets where you are. Let them down so deep that they will come up filled with God's love. Honor those who go up. Play the part of Christ before the world. Do not stoop to jealousy — gossip. Cast those stones out of your lives. Go on in the noble cause. Hold on to Christ thru struggles of life — hold on to Him," pleaded our State President, as she ended a message which will never be forgotten by the Lord. Conference Branch women.

~~Solo~~ "I'm So Glad Trouble Don't Last Always" was [illegible] fully

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rendered by Mrs. Leota Snorden, Ind'p'ls.
Motion: That a rising vote of thanks be given our President (Carried) She was requested to let her address be printed and promised to do so.
Announcements by President.
Committies were called to meet by their chairman.
Finance Com. will report Saturday A.M.
Morning Session starts at 8:45.
Dr. Mary Evans took leave of the Convention at this time.
Song by Convention, "He Lifted Me."
Adjournment for lunch.

Friday Night Session 8:00 P.M.

The Praise Service was conducted by Mrs. Eva Cottman, Logansport and Mrs. C. P. Smith, Charleston.
Mrs. C. P. Smith offered prayer. Mrs. Dyson, Marion read XXX Ps. for a Scripture Lesson. Quartette Number, "Sweeter Than All" was rendered by a group of women. The Convention joined in the Chords. The State President called the ministers in the rear to the rostrum and the Night Session was opened. "From Greenland's Icy Mountains" was sung by the Choir. Rev. Cottman, Logansport announced the Hymn, "Alas and Did My Saviour Bleed." Prayer was offered by Rev. Watkins, Frankport. "Thou Thinkest Lord Of Me" was sung by the Convention and Choir. Rev. Brown, Lafayette read St. Math. 28:11-28 for a Scripture Lesson. "In The Garden" was sung by the Convention and Choir. The State Pres, Mrs. Hill, presented Rev. Pope of Bethel, Ind'p'ls., who preached for the Convention. He expressed his great pleasure in coming to the Convention because of its being a Missionary body and because of the high esteem he has for Mrs. Hill, who has stood for Missions through all these years. When one thinks of Missions in Indiana, he thinks immediately of Mrs. Hill. His text is found in St. Math. 28:19. "Go ye therefore and teach all nations" etc. The subject chosen - The great commission. The text the

speaker said is called the "Marching orders of the Church."
It is the great commission because of its position. This
Commission was the culmination of the life of Jesus Christ.
2. Great because of its conception — world salvation. Go into
the world — to all nations.
3. Great because it is the only hope of the world — giving the
Gospel to the world. "Low I am with you always, even
to the end of the world" is the most comforting promise to
the Missionary.
4. It is great because of it' authority. God through Jesus Christ
gave the command "to go". No matter what discouragements and
obstacles are placed in the way, Jesus Christ says "go" and
He will give you strength to carry on; because you are
God's agent. Foreign Missionary work, he said, is facing
new problems. American missionaries are not wanted
in many foreign countries now. We at home must hold
the ropes by raising funds, have trained workers and supplies
for foreign workers to use. He admonished his hearers to
have more religion than just that which appears on
the outside". Such Sermons renew the determination of Mission-
ary workers to gird on the full armour of Christ's love and "go forth
in His Name to perform whatever their hands find to do.
The Sermon was followed by singing "On My Way To Glory
I Shall Not Be Moved" led by Rev. Craven, St. Paul, Ind'pls,
who also opened the doors of the Church. He also led the
singing of "Just Think Of His Goodness to You."
Collection of $2.89 was taken up by Mrs. Samuels, Ind'pls,
Mrs. Hood, Terre Haute, Mrs. Flossie Bailey, Marion, Mrs. Hyte, Terre Haute
Mrs. Snorden announced a special Young People's program
for Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Bailey announced a Pageant
"America's Call To The Spirit" to be given Saturday night by
the Y. P. of Marion, Ind., admission 10¢. Half the door receipts
to be given to the local society and the other to the Marion
Y. P's Dep't.
Rev. Perry announced he still had many homes available
and that if any Delegates were unassigned he would be glad
to provide homes for them. He announced breakfast hours to
be 7 to 8 o'clock.
The President announced the Morning Session would open at

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8;45 o'clock. A Pilgrimage would be made to the grave of Sister Faust tomorrow afternoon.

Rev. Brown, Lafayette, took leave of the Convention as he is leaving in the morning. Rev. Pope took leave also. Remarks were made by Revs. Craven, Ind'p'ls., Watkins, Frankfort, Shannon, Ind'p'ls., Cottman, Logansport. The Convention appreciated the many laudatory expressions which these visiting Ministers gave to it. Especially did it subscribe to the sentiments expressed concerning our beloved State President. Doxology. Benediction by Rev. Pope.

Saturday Morning Session. 9:00 A. M.

Devotionals were led by Mrs. Arnetta White, Ind'p'ls. and Mrs. Dyson, Marion. This was a very helpful service for those who could be present. The President asked that all names of deceased members of Missionary Societies be handed in to the Chairman of the Memorial Com. as that report will be read this morning. The Convention sang "There Shall Be Showers Of Blessings" with fervor. The Journal for Friday Morning and Afternoon Sessions was read and adopted. The Memorial Service was entered upon. "It Is Well" was sung, followed with prayer by Sister Cassie Jackson Ind'p'ls. The Convention then sang, "Guide Me Oh Thou Great Jehovah." The Committee's report was read, revealing eleven of our number had answered the roll call and passed from our midst. (See reports.) Sister Cassie Jackson led in singing "There Is Rest For The Weary." Mrs. Hannah Nichols, Ind'p'ls. made a few appropriate remarks. "Waiting For Me" was led by Rev. Cravens, with the Convention standing with bowed heads. The report was adopted by raising the right hand. This closed the Memorial Service.

Rev. Jackson, Kokomo, was introduced by the Pres. Mrs. Hill. He spoke very pleasingly to the Convention. The Educational Report was read by Ass Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. Samuels. The State Pres. conducted the Dep't. this year because the Chairman Mrs. Hendrick had moved out of the State

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The total amount reported is $91.50 fr Northern Dist.
" " " " 57.50 " Southern Dist.
and
Grand total for both districts $159.00
Mrs. Nettie Gibson, Ind'p'ls. read greeting from:-
Mrs. Sadie J. Anderson, Statistical Secy. of Parent Body. She eulogized the work of the Ind. Conference Branch. Mentioned the three P's ---, Prayers, Pennie, Patience". For the last Quadrennium Indiana sent raised $1423.36 in 1924.
" " 1398.04 in 1925
" " 1669.60 in 1926 for 1927 she asked?
Greetings were read from:-
Mrs. Lena Ramey, 2nd Vice Pres., Anderson who is ill in Springfield, Ohio
Mrs. Cordelia Moore, Springfield, Ohio,
Mrs. G. A. Rathiffe, Detroit, Mich., who sent $1.50 & Convention,
Mrs. Christina M. Smith, Detroit, Mich.,
Rev. C. L. Upthegrove, P. E. of Southern District,
Birth Announcement from Mr. & Mrs. Bailey, New Castle, Ind.,
Greetings, Mrs. Carrie Crump, Pres. Indiana Federated Clubs,
" , Miss Millie Hoffman, Lafayette, Indiana, (Parliamentarian).
Greetings Mrs. Beckett, Cor. Secy. of Parent Body, this was read by Mrs. Hill, State Pres. Mrs. Beckett sent the expense list of each Delegate to the Quadrennial in Columbus, Ohio. in October. The total expense exclusive of transportation will be seventeen dollars ($17.00)

The motion to receive the Greetings was put by the 1st. Vice Pres, Mrs. Shannon. (Motion carried). Mrs. Shannon was asked to write replies to the greetings. The Cor. Secy., Mrs. Samels was asked to send receipts to all those Societies who had sent in their money and thank them for it.

A Model Missionary Society was conducted by Mrs. Tressa Heinz, Ind'p'ls. She called her officers to come foward and take their places — the other Delegates formed the Society. Mrs Craven, Ind'p'ls. acted as pianist. Mrs. Heinz explained that the object was to show how a Missionary Society should be conducted, so they would go thru the procedure for a regular meeting. Any questions would be answered gladly. Delegates were requested to take notes upon the Model Meeting and consider themselves as members of the same. This was a helpful, instructive feature of the Session. Especial

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helpful were the remarks by the Parliamentarian, Dr. Ida Mae Miller, Ind'p'ls. Questions were asked of the Parliamentarian who answered them.

Mrs. Snorden, Chair. Y.P. Dep't., announced that the Second Sunday in July is Y.P's. Day. A program should be rendered that day and half the proceeds sent to the State Chair. Y.P. Dep't. and the remainder stay in the local Y.P's. treasury. Bring report to the next Convention.

Mrs. Hill announced that the Delegates should be elected thirty days before the Convention convenes. The local President has the authority to endorse any member who has given time in the Society and works in the Church to come to the Convention by paying (50¢) fifty cents annual dues. Mrs. Hill gave a list of questions from the Missionary Handbook for the Delegates to take home and study. These were copied by the Delegates.

Missionary Handbook Questions.

1Q. What Missionary explored the central part of Africa?
1A. Livingstone.
2Q. Where Did Livingstone die?
2A. In Africa
3Q. Where is he buried?
3A. In West Minster Abbey, London, England
4Q. When was the Missionary Dep't. of A.M.E. Church organized?
4A. By act of General Conference at Pittsburg in 1844.
5Q. When was the Constitution of the Missionary Dep't. organized?
5A. General Conference in 1864.
6Q. Who was the first General Missionary of the A.M.E. Church?
6A. Rev. Wm. Paul Quinn.
7Q. Where did he labor?
7A. In Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Kentucky and Missouri.
8Q. Who was the first General Officer to visit Haiti, San Domingo?
8A. Dr. James M. Townsend.
9Q. Who was the first Bishop to go to Africa?
9A. Bishop Turner.
10Q. Who was second Gen'l. Officer to visit Haiti, San Domingo etc?
10A. C.S. Smith, Sec'y. of S.S. Union at that time. Later he became Bishop.

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11Q. What is the official organ of the Women's Mite Missionary Society?
11A. Women's Missionary Recorder.
12Q. When was Woman's Parent Body M. M. established?
12A. Aug. 11, 1874.

Rev. Cravens spoke to the Convention of his pleasure at being with it and took leave of the body as he is leaving this afternoon.

Solo "The Lord Is My Shepherd" was rendered by Mrs. Lyda Craven, Ind'p'ls.

Two Children of Kokomo sang a Duet.

The Pres. called for the report of the Pay Roll Com. It was not ready to respond.

The report of Spruce Street, Terre Haute, was read by the Pres. It sent $45.00 to the Convention. The President explained that the $150.00 for Hastings Banda's education was raised through the Education Dep't. That the State Expenses would be paid out of the Department and Drive funds.

Mrs. Henry submitted the report of the Mothers Dep't. (See Reports.)

Annual Dues were called for and reported to the Cor. Secy.

The report of the Nominating Com. was read and adopted. (See reports.)

The Session adjourned for lunch to reconvene immediately.

Saturday Afternoon Session. 1:45 P.M.

Song Service by Y. P's Delegates. Prayer was offered by Mrs. C. P. Smith.

The Pay Roll Com. submitted its report. The total bills allowed were $117.85. Motion to adopt the report prevailed.

Quartette Number was given by Mesdames Shannon, Snorden, Samuels and Craven, all State Officers from Ind'p'ls. This proved a highly pleasing number.

Mrs. Shannon, 1st. V. P., took the chair.

Paper - "Power Of Good Example" was read by Mrs. Cora Graham, Allen Chapel Ind'p'ls. Discussion was led by Mrs. Esther Johnson, Jeffersonville, and Mrs. Estella Chenault, Franklin.

Song - "Calling Today" -- Y. P's. Choir

Paper - "The Church As A Manufacturer Of Character" Mrs. Ethel Hyte, Allen Chapel, Terre Haute. Discussion led by Miss Lena Halsey, Noblesville. Paper - "Seven Sayings From The Cross"

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by Mrs. Addie Burden, Marion. Discussion, Mrs. Henry, Muncie. Paper, "What Are The Requisites Of A Good Missionary" was read by Mrs. Effie Bass, Richmond. Discussion led by Mrs. Ida McCullough, Carthage, followed by Delegate from Frankfort. Paper, "Making The Great Decision", Mrs. Margaret Robertson, Kokomo. These papers were all of a high order and showed much care in their preparation. The Convention is proud to have such fine material brought to it for consideration.

The report of the Finance Com. was read and adopted. At that time they reported $35.26 for Northern District, $613.16 for Southern District. Grand total $1,472.24. Disbursements $117.88. Balance on hand $354.36.

One verse of "When The Saints Go Marching In" was sung by the Convention. Story "A Midnight Ride" was given by Mrs. Nettie Gibson, Ind'pls. The report of the Topic Card Com. was read and adopted. (See reports.) The President emphasized the use of the topic cards in the locals. They are to be used at all Missionary Meetings.

The Y. P's Dep't. program was conducted by Miss Juanita Watkins, Frankfort. There were fourteen Delegates from the Y. P's. Dep't. present. Literary and Musical numbers were given with ease and grace by the Y. P's. Mrs. Cottman, Logansport, told the Y. P. a story, "My King". Mrs. Flossie Bailey, Marion, Ass't. Y. P. Dep't Chairman, conducted a Round Table Talk with the group. Mrs. Snowden Chair, Y. P. Dep't. presented a fine paper on "Y. P. Dep't. Work. It was really inspiring to hear these Y. P. talk in their Round Table Discussion. Some had papers, others gave impromptu talks, all were interested and interesting. Several of the Senior Missionaries entered the discussion. Mrs. Henry, Muncie, Mrs. Lindsey, Frankfort and Mrs. Loretta White, Ind'pls.

The report of Credintials Com. was called for. The Roll of Delegates was called by the Chair. of Com., Mrs. Bailey, Marion. It showed the voting strength of the Convention to be 52. They were called within the bar of the Convention. The Com's report was adopted and the Com. dismissed.

The Statisticians report was received and adopted.

The President called an Executive Board Meeting for after

supper. The election was entered upon with the following result:-

Mrs. Gertrude Hill, Pres., Ind'p'ls.
" Ossie Shannon, 1st. Vice Pres., Ind'p'ls.
" Florence Brown 2nd Vice Pres., Lafayette
" Katheryn Samuels, Cor. Secy., Ind'p'ls.
" Daisy Ernestine Hood, Rec. Secy., Terre Haute
" Sarah E. Relerford, Treasurer, Ind'p'ls.
" Lyda Cravens, Statistician, Ind'p'ls.
Dr. Ida Mae Miller, Parliamentarian, Ind'p'ls.

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Mrs. Flossie Bailey, Marion
" Nettie Gibson, Ind'p'ls.
" Effie Bass, Richmond
" Mamie Carlyle, Kokomo
" Cora Graham, Ind'p'ls.

The election was conducted under the Australian Ballot system by Dr. Ida Mae Miller, Chair. Nominating Com.
Tellers - Rev. Watkins, Lucile Murphy, Caller.

Moved and seconded that a vote of thanks be tendered Dr. Miller for bringing the Australian Ballot system to us. Also Rev. Watkins and Miss Murphy were thanked for their assistance with the election. (Motion carried)

Mrs. Heinz paid a glowing tribute to our beloved President Mrs. Hill, in behalf of the Ind. Conference Branch. She was presented ~~her~~ with a purse of $10.50 by Zelma Gibson, Ind'p'ls. and a pair embroidered pillow cases from the Art Dept. Mrs. Hill spoke her appreciation brokenly. The tributes had touched her heart. There are times when words fail us. This was one of them. "God Will Take Care Of You" was sung by the Convention followed by "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." The Pres. announced the Convention would elect the Alternate Delegates to the Quadrennial after supper. Adjourned to reconvene immediately after suppa.

Saturday Night Session.

Devotional Service opened the session. Prayer was offered by Dr. Jackson, Kokomo. The election of Alternate Delegates was conducted by Dr. Ida Mae Miller. Mesdames Samuels, Snorden, Florence Brown, White, Heinz, Hood were placed in no. -

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ination. Mesdames Samuels and Hood declined. Motion that the nominations be closed prevailed. Mesdames Snoiden, Heinz, Brown and White were elected.

The President declared the business session closed except for selecting the next place of meeting.

Invitations were extended the Convention by Noblesville and Terre Haute. Terre Haute was selected for the Convention host in 1928.

Executive Board meeting was called for Sunday A.M.

The Sunrise Prayer Meeting was announced for Sunday A.M., to be led by the State Officers. The Journal for Saturday's Sessions will be read Sunday.

A beautiful Pageant "America's Call To The Spirit" was presented by the Y.P. of Marion, directed by Mrs. Flossie Bailey Ass't. Y.P. Chairman.

Announcements by Rev. Perry, the Pastor.

The report of the Art Contest was made. Mrs. King brought in 4 of Mrs. Lewis's 5. Total 9.10. Mrs. Lewis won the luncheon set.

The Art Dep't. report was made as follows:

Total money from all sources	$67.85
Expense	$24.50
Bal. in treasury	$32.35

The door receipts for the Pageant were $13.70

Adjournment

Sun Rise Prayer Meeting, Sunday 6:00 A.M.

Despite the rain and chill Sunday morning twenty-two were present at this service. A glorious meeting was enjoyed.

Sunday A.M. 10:45.

The Convention worshipped with Wayman Congregation and Pastor. Prayer was offered by Sister McCullough, Carthage. Visiting Evangelists and Pastors were invited to the rostrum by Rev. Perry. "He Did So Much For Me" was sung after which Sister Esther Johnson, Jeffersonville, read 46 Ps. for a Scripture Lesson. Decalogue was conducted by Rev. Cottman, Logansport. A letter of thanks from floor suffus for a box of clothes sent to Rosedale, Miss. was read.

Mrs. Eva Cottman, Logansport, read St. Luke 9-18:28 for a Scripture Lesson. Mrs. Ethel Hyte, Terre Haute, sang a solo, "Alone With Thee"; Mrs. Craven, accompanist.

The sermon was preached by Rev. Perry whose text was taken from ninth Chapter of St. Luke. "Whosoever shall save his life shall loose it". Subject- "The Cost Of Following Christ." "Have Thine Own Way Lord" was sung as a prayer by the congregation. Invitation was extended by Sister C. P. Smith, Charleston.

Remarks by State President, Mrs. Hill, who among other things said "The first money for Education for Hastings Banda was given by Kokomo. It was presented by Mrs. Ramey at the Annual Conference in Terre Haute. She requested the State Officers and Delegates to stand and give their donation separately. This was taken by Misdames Samuels and Ford. ($15.25) Fifteen dollars and twenty five cents were collected. This was presented by Mrs. Hill to Rev. Perry for his Rally.

A special collection for Hastings Banda was taken by Rev. Perry. Eleven dollars ($11.00) was received and presented to Mrs. Hill for Education by Rev. Perry.

It was announced that Rev. Hillard Saunders and his famous Noblesville Choir would be present at the afternoon service. Doxology. Benediction by Rev. Cottman.

Executive Board Pilgrimage

to grave of Mrs. Faust before dinner.

The State Officers motored in a body to the beautiful cemetery where Sister Faust is interred. One verse of "Fade, Fade, Each Earthly Joy" was sung. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Hill, State Pres.; who placed flowers upon the grave.

The party then returned to Hayman Chapel.

Sunday, 3:00 P. M.

Young Peoples Program.

Song- "My Faith Looks Up To Thee" by congregation and choir.

Prayer was offered by Rev. L. E. Taylor, Kokomo.

Song- "In The Garden". Scripture Lesson 23d Ps. by Sister C. P. Smith, Charleston. Piano Solo- Miss Pauline Goens, Richmond Solo and Chorus "Where He Leads Me" by the Noblesville Choir.

Mrs. Hill introduced Rev. Hillard Saunders, Noblesville, who preached to Young Peoples Sermon. Text chosen is found in Math. 4:19. "Follow me and I will make ye

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fishers of men". Subject, "Winning Others To Christ"
Prayer was offered by Sister Hannah Nichols Ind'p'ls.
Song "I Want To See Jesus" -- by Noblesville Choir.
Invitation was extended by Dr. Jackson, Kokomo.
The Y. P. Dep't. Heads Mesdames Snorden and Bailey lifted the offering for their Dep't.
Solo -- Little Miss Barber, Kokomo. The State Pres. made the following appointments:-
Education -- Mrs. Hill, State Pres.
Art -- Mrs. Minnie Bailey, New Castle
Mothers -- Mrs. Henry, Muncie.
Y. P. -- { Mrs. Leota Snorden, Ind'p'ls.
{ Mrs. Flossie Bailey, Marion.
Civics -- Mrs. Arnetta White, Ind'p'ls.
Chaplain -- Sister C. P. Smith, Charleston.
Mite Boxes -- Mrs. Tressa Heinz, Ind'p'ls.
The Journal of Saturday's Sessions were read and adopted.
The Chairman of the Y. P. Dep't., Mrs. Snorden, reported the total amount received from the Southern District $ 56.51
" " " " " " Northern " " 103.37
Grand total for Dep't. $ 159.88
Last nights collection 6.20
Collection Sunday Afternoon 15.51
There is $ 174.99 in Dep't. $ 181.59
Half will remain in Y. P.'s treasury for Home Missions, and half will be sent to South America $ 87.49 for each item.
The grand total for the four years raised is $ 592.04
The report was adopted.
The Cor. Secy., Mrs. Katheryn Samuels reported the total amount of $ 1086.14 placed in the bank.

Y. P. Dep't. -	$ 155.68
Mite Boxes -	62.26
Art -	24.94
Taken in.	28.50
For Hastings Banda -	11.00
" Rev. Perry Kelly -	15.25
Cash on hand	$ 378.51

The Cor. Secy's. report was adopted. Dr. Jackson, Marion, installed the Officers. Mrs. Samuels Cor. Secy. announced that the Delegates would be given a

receipts as they passed out. They were requested to put it away for their Pastor to take to Conference.

The following Ministers were introduced to the Convention: Rev. Flowers, Kokomo, Rev. Daniels, and Rev. Taylor of Kokomo. Rev. Mims, Kokomo made the speech for the visiting Ministers. The Choir from Noblesville was introduced. This Choir has made an enviable record for itself singing over the radio.

Rev. Perry announced Sister C. P. Smith would preach at the evening service at 7:30.

The State President spoke words of appreciation to Kokomo for the splendid entertainment it had given the Convention.

Closing Song - "Lift Him Up". Benediction by Rev. Mitchell, Disciples. "God Be With You Till We Meet Again".

Sunday Night. 7:30 P. M.

Opening Song - "Love Divine". Prayer was offered by Rev. Perry. Lord's Prayer Chant was sung by Choir and Congregation. "Jesus Shall Lead Me" was sung. Scripture Lesson, Rom. 10:17 - was read by Dr. Jackson, Marion. "Solo," My Task was sung.

Sermon, Sister C. P. Smith, who chose 1 Peter 5:7 for a text. Her subject - Unload Your Care, Unload." The invitation was extended by Rev. Perry. Offertory for the Church and for Sister C. P. Smith was taken. The Pres. announced that the Banner for Y. P. was won by Spruce St. Terre Haute. It will be sent to Mrs Sims by Mrs. Snowden. The Banner for the Jr. Children goes to Carthage - the one for the larger Jr. Children goes to Muncie. The Com. on Resolutions reported. The report was adopted as read.

Rev. Perry made announcement. Benediction was spoken by Dr. Jackson, Marion. Doxology. The 1927 Indiana Conference Branch Convention passed into history.

Respectfully submitted,
Daisy E. Hood, Recording Secy.
Gertrude B. Hill, State Pres.

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Reports of Coms. and Others at the Convention in Kokomo, June 10 - 13 - 1927.

Resolutions Com.

To the Ind. Annual Conference Branch of the Womens M. M. Society, we the Com. on resolutions beg to submit the following: -

Whereas the 29th Session of Womens M M. Society meeting at Wayman Chapel C. M. E. Church, Kokomo, Ind. has been so beautifully entertained by the Pastor, Rev. Perry, members and friends of the Missionary Society of Wayman Chapel,

Whereas the Pastor, Rev. H. C. Perry and whereas the good people have opened their homes for our accommodation and whereas the music rendered by the Young People's Chorus and the Church was enjoyed by all and it added much to the entertainment of the Convention.

Whereas our Convention was favored with the presence and helpful influences from the visiting Ministers and friends,

Whereas our State Pres, Mrs. Gertrude B. Hill has so ably presided over our Convention with such dignity, that the high degree of intelligence and vast experience has brought to us such a flood of helpful suggestions to aid us in our work,

Resolve that we express to them our gratitude for such a hearty and wholesome welcome.

Respectfully,
Mrs. C. B. Graham
Miss Cecelia Weaver
Mrs. Mary Montgomery
Mrs. Katy Neal
Mrs. Lillie Lindsey

Nominations.

To the Pres. and Members of the Society, We, your Committee on Nominations beg leave to submit the following report:-

For Pres. — Mrs. Gertrude B. Hill

1st. Vice Pres. Mrs. Assie Shannon
Mrs. Julia Jefferson

2nd. Vice Pres. —
Mrs. Florence Brown
Mrs. Gertrude Motley

Recording Secy. —
Mrs. Daisy E. Hood
Mrs. Ida Mc Cullough

Corresponding Secy.
Mrs. Kathryn Samuels

Treasurer —
Mrs. Sarah E. Relerford.

Executive Board:
Mrs. Ethel M. Hyte
Mrs. Cora Graham
Mrs. Flossie Bailey
Mrs. Nettie Gibson
Mrs. Mamie Carlyle
Mrs. Effie Bass

Department Heads.

Supt. of Young People:
Mrs. Leola Snorden

Art Dept. —
Mrs. Helen Walden

Mothers Dept. —
Mrs. Ethel Henry

Mite Boxes: —
Mrs. Tressa Heing

Civics: —
Mrs. Anna White

Statistician — Mrs. Lyda Craven

Parliamentarian — Dr. Ida Mae Miller

Respectfully submitted
Dr. Ida Mae Miller

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Mrs. Barber
" McCullough
" Burden
" Hyte

Memorial Com.

Kokomo, Ind.
June 11, 1927.

To the Twenty-ninth Session of the Indiana Conference Branch of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society

We will open our meeting by singing — "It is well with My Soul".

Prayer — Sister Jackson
Song — "Bread of Heaven"
Remarks by Mrs. H. M. Nichols

We are very grieved to know that death has visited some of our Societies. The deceased members are:

1. Mary Edington, Jeffersonville, Ind.
2. Miss Ruth Southern, Indpls., Ind.
3 Mrs. Clara Register,
4 Gertrude Anthony of the Mary Cain Mite M. Soc'y, Indpls.
5. Mr. Henry Netels, Indpls.
6. Miss Minnie Rush, Kokomo
7. Mrs. Ora Smit } Lafayette, Ind.
8. " Hena Pool }
9 " Leora Smith }
10. Mrs. Mary Gilmore } Bethel, Muncie
11. " Minnie Douglass }

for whom we bow in humble submission to the Almighty.

Song — "Waiting for Me".

Chairman, Mrs. H. M. Nichols
Mrs. Jackson
" Nelson
Leora Halsey

Sunday Afternoon Executive Board Meeting.

The Pres. suggested that we send something to Mrs. Bailey, New Castle. It was decided to send money to start a bank account for the new baby.

Mrs. Hannah Nichols asked for credentials to the Quadrennial. She will bear her own expenses. Since we have five Delegates, Mrs. Nichols can be sent by her local.

Quadrennial Delegates expense. Train fare, via chair car, $15.08. Dues $4.00 — one dollar for each year Dues are paid by Delegates. Registration $1.00 Board $16.00. Total expense per Delegate $32.08
Three Delegates $96.24

The expense for the Quadrennial Delegates will be taken from the Cut, Mothers and Mite Box Depts.

The annual dues from each local member should be collected. The amount is fifty cents. It makes the persons paying it members of this Conference Branch.

The amount banked this year is $1086.40

Motion that Mrs. Hill's dues be paid was carried.

Mrs. Hardy has served as Pres. of Parent M. M. Society for twenty four years. It was decided to send her to the Quadrennial a testimonial of $1.00 for each year.

It was explained that any local can send a delegate to the Quadrennial by getting credentials filled out.

After repeating the Parting Word the Board adjourned.

Mrs. Hill, Pres.
Mrs. Hood, Secy.

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Terre Haute, Ind.
June 14, 1928.

Executive Board Meeting, 3:00 P. M.

The Ind. Conference Branch of W. M. M. Societies held its Executive Board Meeting Thursday afternoon at three o'clock in the Pastor's Study at Allen Chapel, with Mrs. G. B. Hill, State President, presiding.

The meeting was opened with prayer offered by the State Chaplain, Mrs. C. P. Smith of Terre Haute.

The President instructed the Finance Committee concerning the method of reporting finances and they were sent to their Com. room. Delegates were instructed to report their assignment and contingent moneys to them at once.

The Roll Call showed eighteen members and forty-eight delegates present.

The President explained that several changes would be made in the Conference Branch by order of the Parent Body at the last Quadrennial in Columbus Ohio.

1. All Conf. Branch Treasurers must give bond hereafter. The Conf. Branch pays for it.
2. Conference Branch Secretaries are to be paid a salary.
3. The Topic Cards will not be used in the future. The Parent Body has made out a course of study which all Missionary Societies must follow.

Lesson Courses will be sold to the Locals by the State.

The President urged Societies to follow the Course.

She instructed the Board Members to see that the best Christian teacher be put in Charge of the Mission Study work. She insisted that her life must be such that her teaching will have force. The course must be taken up.

Each State Officer is responsible to take the course back to their local and help put the course through. Copies will be given the Board Members to examine at this Convention.

The President urged the Board to see that their local societies elect their Officers immediately after the Convention and get down to work at once. Because if they wait until April to get ready it will be too late.

"President's Plan."

"Missionary Drive" is the Presidents Plan for raising money

for the Annual Convention. This Drive is to be held in the month of October. The membership of all Churches are to be canvassed for pledges for Missions. Drive Leaders will organize the canvas and collect the pledges. The Drive will be concluded with a Rally Day, conducted after the usual manner and the funds, all of them are to be sent directly to the State immediately.

This leaves the Locals in position to help with other Church work without working a hardship upon their members.

Other funds raised during the year will be brought to the Convention and added to the Drive Money sent in the last of October.

The Board Members discussed the plan fully and it was adopted on motion unanimously.

As an earnest of their loyalty to the plan, each State Officer pledged as follows:—

Mrs. G. B. Hill	$5.00
" C. P. Smith	5.00
" Samuels	5.00
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" Hood	5.00
" Heinz	5.00
" Cora Graham	5.00
" Effie Bass	5.00
" Flossie Bailey	5.00
" Relerford	5.00
" Shannon	5.00
" Carlyle	5.00
" Snorden	5.00
" Dyson	5.00
" White	5.00
" Watkins	5.00

This money will be sent direct to the State but the Locals will get credit for it.

The President thanked the ladies for their pledges.

When new women are elected Presidents, she urged them to take advice from women older in the work. In appointing members to Committees she advised them to select women who would not bring confusion and dissention.

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The Penny Drive Report made by the Board netted $30.00. Some members were absent and this amount will be increased when their report is in. See reports.

Mrs. Hill	3.00	Mrs. Assie Shannon	2.00
" Leota Snorden	2.00	" Mary Beck	2.00
" Nettie Gibson	2.00(sent)	" Tressa Heinz	2.00
" Cora Graham	1.00	" Sarah Releford	2.00
" Effie Bass	2.00	" Daisy E. Hood	2.00
" Mamie Carlyle	3.00	" Flossie Bailey	2.00
" Onnetta White	2.00	" Susie Dyson	1.00
" Lyda Craven	(a)	" Ethel Henry (a)	pledged June 16th 5.00
" C. P. Smith	2.00	Dr. Ida McMiller	1.00
" Kathryn Samuels	2.00	Mrs. Minnie Bailey	5.00

The President instructed Board Members to give any bills they have to the Finance Committee.

Announcements were made afterwhich the Board adjourned.

Mrs. G. B. Hill, President.
Mrs. D. E. Hood, Secy.

N.B.– Members will respond stating their names with Biblical Quotations when the Roll is called Friday A.M.

D. E. Hood, Secy.

Thursday Night, 8:30 P.M.

The Local Society entertained the Convention with a Reception. A splendid program was rendered.

Rev. C. P. Smith of Allen Chapel, Terre Haute was Master of Ceremonies. A Silver Offering was taken and this amounted to $4.33.

After the program the Delegates and State Officers were served refreshments in the Church parlors.

Delegates registered and were assigned to their places of entertainment. Announcements were made by the State President, Mrs. Hill, and the entertaining Pastor, Rev. C. P. Smith.

Friday Morning, 9:00 A.M.
June 15, 1928

Rev. C.L. Upthegrove, P.E. of the Southern District, presided at the opening Session of the 30th Annual State Convention of the Ind. Conference Branch of W.M.M. Societies which is being entertained by the local M.M. Society of Allen Chapel, Terre Haute Ind., Rev. C.P. Smith, Pastor and Mrs. Daisy E. Ford local President.

After devotionals which were conducted by Mrs. Mitcham, Terre Haute, the State Officers and distinguished guests were led into the Convention by Mother Handy, Connectional Pres. of the Parent Body of Baltimore, Maryland.

"Have Thine Own Way Lord" was sung by the Convention Choir with Mrs. Snorden, Indpls., directing.

Scripture Lessons were read by Drs. Upthegrove and Pope, Indpls. Prayer was offered by Rev. Thompson, ~~Evansville~~ Princeton "Solid Rock" was sung by Convention and Y.P. Choir.

Rev. Cravens, Vincennes, read Matth. 25:12-21 for a Scripture Lesson. "Bread of Life" was sung by the State Trio, Mesdames Shannon, Snorden and Samuels, all of Indianapolis.

Rev. R.L. Pope led the Decalogue. While, "How Thinkest Lord Of Me" was sung, Rev. C.P. Smith escorted Mother Handy, Baltimore, Md., Connectional Pres. and Mrs. G.B. Hill, State Pres. of Ind. Conf. Branch to the rostrum.

Rev. Upthegrove spoke words of welcome to the Connectional Pres., Mother Handy, and then introduced the State President, Mrs. Hill, to whom he presented the gavel of the Convention.

The President declared the Convention open and called for the report of the Chairman of the Program Com. Mrs. Shannon Indpls., 1st. Vice Pres., made the report which was adopted and presented the programs to the President. "Have Thine Own Way" was sung softly by the Convention.

The State Pres. introduced Rev. E.L. Rabitoy of Evansville who preached the Annual Sermon for the Convention. She mentioned the fact that the Missionary Society of Ind. had helped him as a struggling young Minister and ever since that time he has never failed to organize and help Missionary Societies in every charge to which he is sent.

Rev. Rabitoy took as his text Isaiah 9:11 — verses. "And many should say, 'Come let us go up into the Mt. of the Lord". Subject, "Messiah's peaceful reign." This stirring message

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prepared the Convention for the Consecration Service which followed.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Mitcham, Terre Haute. Dr. Wallace, P. E. of the Northern District was escorted to the rostrum. All young girls and young workers, here for the fust time were called to the Altar for consecration. Mother Handy offered the fervent prayer of Consecration and Dr. Ida Mae Miller, Ind'pls., sang, "I Know A Great Savior I Do." The Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison and the right hand of fellowship was extended while the Convention sang "There Is Sunshine In The Shadow."

After Consecration the Holy Sacrament was administered to ninety-three persons by Revs. Upthegrove and Wallace, assisted by visiting Ministers and Evangelists.

The right hand of fellowship was extended.

Dinner being ready, the Pres. announced that the remainder of the morning's program would be postponed until the afternoon. The afternoon session was called for 1:45 P.M. so we can arrange to save time today and get over to see Spruce Street new Church Saturday if possible.

After other announcements the Convention adjourned for lunch.

Mrs. Hood, Secy.
Mrs. G. B. Hill, Pres.

Friday Afternoon Session
1:45 P. M.

The President called the Afternoon Session to order at 1:45 P. M. Sister Johnson led in singing, "Savior More than Life to Me". Sister Johnson and Sister De Jurnet of Washington were asked to lead the Devotionals and responded by singing, "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross".

Prayer was offered by Sister De Jurnet. Scripture Lesson, St. John 6 Chap. was read by Sister Johnson. Songs "On My Journey Home" and "I'm Going Thru" were sung.

After the Devotionals the Roll of State Officers was called. It showed twenty-one present. They responded with Biblical quotations.

The President asked the young people and others who sing to form the Convention Chorus under Mrs. Snorden. She mentioned that as one of the ways Y. P. can serve and that they must be given something to do and be made to feel welcome.

The report of the Credentials Com. was called for. The Pres. explained that the Secy. of the Credentials Com. sent out the credentials this year and they should be returned to her. This will be the method in the future. No more credentials will be sent out by the Financial Secy. Before the report was made the Pres. talked to the women. The report showed sixteen Delegates from the Southern District, twenty-nine Delegates from the Northern District and twenty-two State Officers present, making a total enrollment of sixty-seven.

After the reading of the report the bar of the Convention was fixed as the Center aisle.

The list of Coms. appointed was read by Mrs. Shannon, Indpls. The Pres. instructed the Coms. that young Delegates are put on these committees under strong Chairmen and the older ones are to instruct the young and not leave all the work to their inexperience. Each Chairman was given the names of her Com.

Mrs. Shannon, Indianapolis, first V. Pres. was called to preside at the Afternoon Session.

Dr. Pope, Indpls., took leave of the Convention at this time. He recalled the words of the Connectional Pres. who

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had said that in all the years the M.M. work has been organized and despite the many thousands of dollars handled, not one penny had gone astray." He said that was the highest testimonial of the fineness of the work done and a tribute to the leaders. Dr. Shannon of Indpls. also took leave of the Convention. He said he had hardly grasped the magnitude of the work of this Dept. until he attended this Convention this year. He that because of the greatness of the work the President should be placed upon a permanet salary and made a membe of the Annual Conference. He again dedicated his life to the cause of missions.

Dr. H. P. D. Wallace, P.E. of the Northern District was presented and spoke words of encouragement. He pled for more sacrificial service for missions; for more young men and women to go to foreign fields and live for the cause of Christ:— those who would go not just for a trip or a stepping stone to higher places back home.

Mr. Thompson, Princeton and Rev. Thompson were presented. They expressed their pleasure at being our guests. Rev. N. B. Moore, 2nd. Baptist Church, Terre Haute was introduced and made a stirring appeal for missions. He spoke on the four "Trues" of missions and the personal obligation of each Christian to missions. "One is not true to Christ, to Church, not true to yourself unless one feels it his privilge to give a definite service for missions" is one of the strong statements made by the speaker.

Rev. & Mrs. Craven, Vincennes were asked to meet the four o'clock train for Miss Amanda Mason, our returned Missionary. The Financial Secy. called the Districts for reports.

Southern District

Bethel Indpls.		$254.21
Coffin Chapel		no report
Evansville	sent	44.27
Allen Chapel, T. Haute	partial report	26.00
Spruce St. T. Haute		
Frenchlick	sent on assessment	10.00

Southern District, (Cont'd)

New Albany	sent	3.00
Bloomington		
Jeffersonville		
Mt. Vernon		
Princeton		5.00
Lyles	sent	4.00
Franklin		11.00
Washington		[illegible]
Charleston	no report	
Corydon	sent	3.50
Clinton, Rockville		no report.
Seymore		1.00
Plainfield, Brazil	no report.	
Vincennes		4.50

Northern District

Allen Chapel, Indpls.		288.00
St. Johns, Indpls.		106.66
St. Paul, Indpls.		10.50
Richmond		103.-
Kokomo		30.00
Bethel, Marion		
Allen Temple, Marion		90.00
Bethel, Muncie	partial report	20.-
Schaffer Chapel, Muncie		10.00
Anderson	partial	25.00
Lafayette		34.86
Crawfordsville,	sent	5.00
Noblesville,		24.10
New Castle		no report.
Frankfort		18.65
Lebanon, Franklin, Peru	no report	
Fountain City	sent	5.00
Portland		6.00
Connersville		6.00
Hills Chapel	no report.	
Carthage		10.00

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Before going into the quiet hour a song, "Just a Little While," was sung for Mother Handy, who is especially fond of singing. The song was rendered by the State Trio - Mesdames Snorden, Shannon, and Samuels all of Indianapolis.

The Quiet Hour was conducted by Rev. Mitcham, of Terre Haute. "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name was sung by the Convention while standing. He talked upon the Beatitudes and illustrated with a chart. His subject "Spiritual Mountain Climbing." 1st. step Humility - conscious need. 2nd. step. Penitence - mourning for sin. 3d. meekness - new birth. 4th - Spiritual Appetite, signifying growth. 5th, Mercifulness - attribute of God, farther advance. 6th, Heart Purity, vision of God. 7th. Peacemaking, calming the storms of life 8th. Suffering for Christ - standing with the Martyrs." Solo was rendered by Miss Mary T. Lindsey, Marion, Ind. "Lord For Tomorrow and Its Needs." This closed the session.

Rehearsal for the Pageant was called for immediately by Mrs. Heinz, the director.

Friday Night Session.

The Song Service was conducted by Rev. Craven of Vincennes at 6:30 P. M.

The Spruce St. Choir, Terre Haute opened the night session with song. Silent prayer was made while the organist played, "Sweet Hour Of Prayer" softly. Song, "Jesus Saves" was rendered by the Choir. Scripture Lesson was offered by Mrs. Tessa Haines Dudpls. Reading "The Sunset Bridge" was given by Mrs. Nettie Gibson Dudpls. The choir sang, "Beautiful Zion."

Mrs. Emma Duffy Terre Haute, Mistress of Ceremonies, introduced Mrs. Handy, Baltimore Md. the Connectional President who brought greetings to the Convention. For twenty years she has been Connectional Pres. and during that time there has never been any money unaccounted for. Because of careful management she explained the Connection has been able to help a large number of [illegible] as well as two

African girls Charlette Monyea and Lunanda Mason. Mother Handy spoke of the connectional work, of the great success that God had granted it. $2,000 was the amount raised by the Connection during its last Quadrennial. The two Presidents were made members of the General Conference by acclamation. She urged Indiana women to prepare to put a member upon the Parent Body board at the next Quadrennial. She asked Terre Haute Missionary women to help Spruce St. Church and those in Indianapolis to help Allen Chapel. She urged the women to keep sweet, pray and work for the success of the cause.

Flowers were presented from the T. H. Local to Mother Handy by Mrs. C. T. Hyte of Terre Haute. A vocal solo "My Task" was rended by Mrs. Effie Bass, Richmond. As an encore she sang, "Lord For Tomorrow I Do Not Pray". After that number the Mistress of Ceremonies introduced our State Pres., Mrs. G. B. Hill, Indpls., who delivered her Annual Message to the Convention. She mentioned the pleasure her coming to Terre Haute afforded, and promised to give a heart-to-heart talk rather than an address.

She defended the Departments in the Missionary Societies, because of the work they are doing and the money they are bringing in, because we have outgrown the penny crowd. It takes dollars to put over the program for missions.

The African boys outstrip the American boys and girls. After three years Hastings Banda will finish the four year College course at Wilberforce and will graduate next week. Africans have only the chance that missions afford them.

Ministers who are helped sometimes fail to encourage the Missionary Societies. They are ingrates. She asked the women to be faithful, to do their duty. She said the Ind. Conference Branch, while not large is one of the finest and the women the truest in the world.

She explained the meaning of the Departments.
Mothers — To bring mothers together to discuss problems peculiar to them and to get them interested.
Young People — Must be trained for service. Because there is more to life than just pleasure. Train them up

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so they will enjoy the work. Don't give up, don't surrender. When trials come gird on your armour and say, "I have just begun to fight. She declared the Church is the truest and best institution in the world. Christ is the Church and where Christ is, is love. Hate and malice cannot enter. "There is so much bad in the best of us and so much good in the worst of us, it does not behoove any of us to talk about the rest of us". Leaf by leaf pick out the weeds and leave the flowers. There are weak ones among us. A kind word often means so much. Speak it. Do not stop, do not be content. There would be no missionaries work or workers in the world were it not for the women. Do not suffer anything to come between your God and your Church. The Church will always beg as long as such paupers are Christians. She thanked the women for the splendid work/part they are giving. She declared nothing is gained without a struggle. Thank God that the Heavenly Father is sufficient. He has said "In this world you will have trials and tribulations, but in Me you have peace." When you feel like giving up, remember the world never gives up and neither can we. She asked that missionary work be not judged by the mistakes made, but by the good the L.M.E. women are doing. She asked the women to help those who need, who are down and desire to be helped up. She asked the women to sacrifice a few movies to help the Missionwork. To bring more than just pennies to the Convention. The need is so insistent. She is no longer content to live in the house by the side of the road. She wants to walk in the road, for some may need a crust, a drink of water, a word of encouragement. And when we walk in the road with men and women we meet more of them and we shall stand in the sunlight. Because Christ has said "in as much as you did it to the least of these, my children, you did it unto me." Flowers and presentation speeches were given to Mrs. Hill from the local Society.

also Mrs. Miller, Pres. of Kentucky Conf. Branch and Mrs. Carrie Crump, Indpls. Pres. of Indiana Federated Women's Clubs, and Mrs. Ford, Pres. of the Terre Haute Missionary Society. Each responded with words of appreciation.

A vocal solo was rendred by Mrs. Assie Shamm, 1st. Vice Pres. of Ind. Conf. Branch.

The State Pres. thanked Mrs. Duffy for presiding. She introduced Miss Amanda Mason, a returned missionary who will make her appeal for the work Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Shamm were appointed to take the offering which amounted to $10.00.

The Chairmen called their Committees to meet in the morning.

Rev. Wickham appealed for those with cars to co-operate with him and a sight-seeing tour will be arranged to see Spruce St. Church and points of interest Saturday. After the Doxology the Benediction was pronounced by Rev. C. L. Upthegrove, P. E. of Southern District.

Mrs. Daisy E. Ford Secy.
Mrs. Gertrude B. Hill State Pres.

Saturday Morning Session
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The Devotionals were conducted by the Young Peoples Delegates Mesdames Snorden and Bailey, Chairmen. Theme, "Reverence For God's House", Math: 21:1-7 After singing and prayer a testimonial meeting was enjoyed. It was inspiring to hear these Y. P. testify. The presence of Mother Handy and Miss Amanda Mason added impressiveness to the service. Mother Handy approaching the end of the journey and Miss Mason and the Y. P. at its beginning testifying to the same power of Jesus' love made a thrilling story.

The pages were instructed to notify the Committees the Convention was ready to open. While waiting for the Committees to come in, the Pres. thanked the Y. P. for their splendid meeting. She cautioned the older Delegates to be careful to make no remarks

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that would indicate that the Y.P. are not welcome. They are the future hope of the Missionary Work.

The Morning Session opened with singing, "Draw Me Nearer," led by Mrs. Shannon. The paper left over from Friday afternoon was called for. Mrs. Barber of Kokomo read a paper on the jubject, "The True Measure Of Giving." Discussion by Mrs. Johnson, Jeffersonville, Mrs. M.V. McCullough, Connersville and Mrs. Lindsey, Frankfort. Instrumental Solo - Miss Pauline Goins, Richmond, Ind. This finished the work of the Friday Afternoon Session.

A paper on "The Importance of Bible Study In Missionary Work" was read by Mrs. Eddie Burden, Marion, Ind. Discussion by Mrs. Lena Ramey, Anderson, Mrs. DeJournet, Washington, Miss Lee, Noblesville, Mrs. Hill asked Miss Lee to keep her paper and it will be sent to the Missionary Reader for publication. Miss Lindsey, Marion, sang, "I Wished To Be True" and "I'm So Glad Trouble Don't Last Always."

The Missionary Study Course prescribed by the Parent Body was put in Charge of Mrs. Heinz, Indpls. and Mrs. Bailey, Marion, assistant. The Pres. explained that this course must be studied and a report made at the next Convention.

The Pres. told the women that they must attend the Prayer meeting sometime. They are posing as Missionaries before the State and she does not want any local Pres. who doesn't attend Prayer Meeting. In Appointing or selecting Officers, be careful to get women who are Christians first and intuested in Missionary Work.

The Study Course is to cost 15¢ each. Delegates were supplied and their names taken. They will be permitted to pay later if they so desire. Copies were presented by the State to Revs. Upthegrove and Rabitoy.

As soon as the election is held, begin upon the Study Course; if more copies are needed, send to Mrs. Haig for the same.

The Presidents' Hour was conducted by Mrs. Dyson, Marion. Those Presidents not in attendence were represented by their Delegates. They were asked to tell how they finance their Societies. By exchanging ideas

help was obtained. The following responded:-
Terre Haute - Mrs. Smith, Delegate; Mrs. Hood, President
Kokomo - Mrs. Carlyle, Pres.
Muncie - Mrs. Henry, "
Anderson - Mrs. Rabney
Terre Haute, Spruce St. Mrs. Mitchem, Delegate
Jeffersonville, Mrs. Johnson
Indianapolis, Allen Chapel, Mrs. Graham
Frankfort, Mrs. Lindsey. She asked the Convention to write a letter to three children who had never missed a missionary meeting. Mrs Shannon was appointed to write the letter.
Marion - Miss Lindsey, Y.P. Delegate.
Washington - Mrs. De Journet
Vincennes - Mrs. Craven
Bethel Indpls. - Mrs. Jefferson
Allen Temple, Marion - Mrs. Adams
Connersville - Mrs. McCullough.
During the discussion Mother Handy presided. After Miss Lindsey's report, the Pres. took the chair. She declared the hour very profitable. Also that the Missionary year begins when the Convention closes. Elect your officers and send in the list of Officers to the State Pres. and the Corresponding Secy. Then you will not have to complain about not getting your mail. She said complaint had been made that women come to the Convention who do not support their Churches. This must not be.

Miss Virginia Fleming, a blind musician and composer of Terre Haute was introduced to the Convention. She expressed her pleasure at being with us. The Pres. suggested that several churches go together and have Miss Fleming appear before them. The other group encourages their special artists and we could too if we would.

Paper, "Preparedness a Chief Essential To Missionary Work" was read by Sister C. P. Smith of Terre Haute. Discussion was led by Mrs. Baker, Allen Chapel, Indpls., followed by the Delegate from Carthage.

Mrs. Hiser, Indpls., entered with our Missionary Baby, little Miss Bailey of New Castle. She was introduced to

the Convention as our youngest member. Miss Juanita Watkins, Frankfort, played "His Thine Own Way" while the Nominating Com. prepared their slate.

As the Finance Com. was at the Bank, their report was postponed. The first paper for the Afternoon Session was heard. Subj., Missionary Work, Young Peoples Viewpoint, by Miss. Adams, Allen Temple Marion. Discussion was led by Miss Millie Hoffman, Lafayette. The State Pres. asked that her paper be saved to be sent to the Women's Missionary Recorder.

The Nom. Com. with Mrs. White Chairman submitted its report, which was read by Miss Lucille Murphy. See reports.

Mrs. Mamie Carlyle, Kokomo declined the nomination for the Executive Board. Mrs. Burden Marion, was nominated to fill the vacancy, but declined. Mrs. Barber, Kokomo, accepted the nomination. Mrs. Thompson's name was left on the Slate by vote of the Convention even tho she had left the Convention. Mrs. Snorden declined the nomination for Chairman of the Young Peoples Department. No one was nominated to fill the vacancy, so Mrs. Bailey, Marion, was left to run alone.

The Com. distributed the ballots. Miss Murphy was selected Secy. of Com. with Rev. Cravens to assist her. The tellers were Miss Hoffman, Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Miller, Ky., and Mrs. Crump.

Rev. Applegrove took leave of the Convention at this time. He expressed himself as much pleased with what he had seen in the Convention. He admonished the women to get the bitterness out of their hearts. Even in the Church bitterness can grow. Guard against it and keep sweet. Referring to the complaint the President voiced of women not working at home and coming to the Convention for dress parade he advised them to take the Presidents advise. Either to get busy and do their bit at home in their Churches or do not come for show to the Convention. He ended his remarks with a poem by Edgar Guest, "The Layman, The Cornerstone of the Church."

Rev. Rabitoy, Evansville, took leave of the Convention. He said he had received missionary inspiration from what

he had seen in this Convention. Rev. Rahtoy is not well, but his fervent sermon and helpful words in leaving will long be remembered by those present. Mrs. Snorden led in singing "Some Threw The Water" and we were adjourned for Lunch by repeating the Watchword.

Delegates were asked to eat lunch and come immediately to the Afternoon Session, so we can get thru the afternoon program.

Officers elected were as follows:- President --- Mrs. G. B. Hill
1st. Vice Pres. - Mrs. Assie Shannon
2 nd. Vice Pres. - Mrs. Arnetta White
Cor. Secy. -- Mrs. Katherine Samuels
Rec. Secy. --- " Daisy E. Hood
Treasurer - —— " Sarah E. Relerford.

Executive Board.

Esther Johnson (not elected) Laura Barber (not elected)
Hannah Nichols (not elected) Lyda Cravens -
Effie Bass - Maye Thompson (not elected)
Cora Graham - Hattie Cain -
Mayme Mitchem -
Parliamentarian -- Dr. Ida Mae Miller
Statistician ------ Millie Hoffman
Chairman Y.P. ---- Flossy Bailey.

Daisy E. Hood, Secy.
Geitrude B. Hill, Pres.

Afternoon Session - 2:00 P M.

Devotionals were conducted by State Pres., Mrs. Hill. Opening Song, "Rescue The Perishing" - Prayer by Mrs. Henry, Muncie. Song, "My Faith Looks Up To Thee". Scripture Lesson, 113 Ps., Mrs Geneva Henry, Muncie. Mrs. Shannon led in singing, "Jesus Lover Of My Soul."

Mrs. Shannon was called upon to give the echoes of the Quadrennial Convention to which she was sent as a Delegate. She reported among other things that $118 426.29 had been raised and after all disbursements were made there remained a balance of $28,67.

The next Convention will be held in St. Louis in 1932.

Mrs. Heinz had nothing further to add to the report made by Mrs. Shannon. Dr. Ida Mae Miller thanked the Convention for making her a Delegate. Mrs. Dyson and her husband attended?

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the Quadrennial also. Indiana was nicely represented — several who were not delegates attended. Mrs. Hill expressed the desire that a large delegation from Indiana attend the Quadrennial in St. Louis. She also mentioned that an appeal would be made for Amanda Mason, Serra Leon, Africa on Sunday afternoon. All young people are urged to attend and hear her message. The money from the Conf. Branch donated to Miss Mason will be given to her direct and then we will be through with it.

Mrs. Steiz reported for the Mite Boxes -- Southern Dist. -- $23.21
Northern District --- 18.25 Total $42.16

The Minutes of the Executive Board were read and adopted. It was explained that the requiring of bond by the Treasurer was not because of money lost but to safeguard the Treasurer. She takes out the bond but the State pays for it. It was explained that our Secys. have always been paid. The Cor. Secy. gets $10.00 and railroad expense. $5.00 is paid the Recording Secy. and railroad expense, so we are in line with Parent Body plans on that score.

Missionary Drive in October was further explained by the Pres. Send money direct to the State Treasurer and she will send receipt for it. Every Missionary Society must do something definite for Education. If we have our money we can budget it as we see fit. Each Society must get its own membership list. Literature will be sent explaining the Drive. If any pledge is not paid by the end of Oct. the time may be extended, but the cards must be sent in. It will be conducted under the State.

Journal for Friday sessions were read and adopted with necessary corrections.

Finance Com. made its report. See reports.

Total money for Northern District - - - $548.78
" " Southern District - - - - 456.12
Disbursements - - - - - - - - - - - - 229.59
Banked $813.48 with Mite Box money to be added.

The who promised to send in their money by the Annual Conference were told that said promises must be kept.

No Financial Secy's. nor Treasurer's reports were made because no money was left after the Delegates were sent to the Quadrennial.

A donation of $10.00 was sent for education by the little girl whom we helped in Mich. Juanita Walkins, Frankport, will be given $15.00 from the Ind. Conf. Branch to help her in her education at the Ind. State Normal. She is a missionary child & a widowed mother and the help will be appreciated.

A letter from Hastings Banda was read by the State President. He will graduate from Wilberforce next week, having completed the course in three years. The money for Hastings Banda will be sent direct from the Ind. Conf. Branch to him by the State Pres. The change in Bishops will make no difference in our relation to Hastings Banda's education.

Greetings from the Statistical Secy., Mrs. Sada Anderson, Cleveland O. were read by Mrs. Hord. Rev. Mitcham announced that the cars were ready for the sight-seeing tour. He spoke of the buildings of his Church before they started for fear some could not hear him when they should arrive at his church.

Mrs. Cain took leave of the Convention. She pledged her support to any program the President cared to put over.

Mother Handy spoke words of praise and comfort for our Pres, Mrs. Hill, and the women of the Parent Body who have stood by her and made her success possible. She was especially pleased to see the Y.P. in the Convention and to hear their splendid papers. She spoke of the advantage enjoyed by our group in Baltimore. She saw the Mass. soldiers when they passed thru Baltimore and was at the station when they were fired upon at the outbreak of the Civil War. Mother Handy spoke to us so beautifully and in such a motherly way that the heart of the Convention went out to her. Dr. Ida Mae Miller spoke the sentiments of all us when she said "her presence is a benediction to any place where she goes. We love her." She said of Mrs. Hill that she has been an inspiration to all whose life has been touched by hers. "Take our prayers, our hearts with you. We love you." She spoke her appreciation for the Missionary women of Ind., who have stood by her. She thanked them. Dr. Miller, too, was taking leave of the Convention.

Parting words.

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Saturday Night Session,
June 16, 1928. 8:30 P.M.

The Sat. night session was opened with a Pageant "Great Women Of The Bible," pisented by the State Officers and past State Officers.

After the Pageant the Convention listened to a splendid address from Mrs. Carrie Crump, State Pres. of Ind. Federated Clubs. She invited all to attend the opening of the Club Home in Ind'pls. She brought a fine message of the Club Home and the work the Federated Clubs of Indiana are doing.

Dr. Ida Mae Miller was appointed to extend greetings to the Ind. Club Federation from the Ind. Conf. Branch of M. M. Societies.

Anderson and Noblesville both extended an invitation to the Convention for the next meeting. Noblesville won in the voting which followed.

The tickets sold for the Pageant amounted $14.80. Expense for tickets $2.25. Bal $12.55. Divided between the State, $6.30 and the Local Society, 6.25.

Announcements: —

Mrs. Dyson and Mrs. Rainey were appointed to lead the Sun Rise Prayermeeting at six o'clock Sunday morning.

Memorial Service was announced for 10:00 A.M. Sunday.

Convention will worship with local Church at 10:45 A.M. Sunday

Miss Amanda Mason will speak at 3:00 P.M., Sunday.

Resolutions Com. and Statistical reports will be given Sunday night.

Appointments: — Art Dep't. - Mrs. Minnie Bailey, New Castle. Mothers — Mrs. Nettie Gibson, Ind'pls., Cities — Mrs. Henry, Muncie, Young People - Mrs. Flossie Bailey, Marion, Y.P. Chorus — Mrs. Leota Snyder, Ind'pls., Mrs. C. P. Smith, Terre Haute Chaplain. Miss Lucille Murphy will be given an appointment later. Mother Handy will install all new officers Sunday.

Rev. Mitcham thanked those who lent cars for the tour.

Doxology. Benediction — Rev. C. P. Smith, Local Pastor.

D. E. Ford Secy.
G. B. Hill, Pres.

Sun Rise Prayer Meting
Sunday A.M. 6:00

Prayer Meeting was conducted by Mrs. Dyson, Marion and Mrs. Rainey, Anderson. After prayers and Scripture Lesson a praise service of prayers, songs and testimonials was enjoyed. The right hand of fellowship was extended,

while "There Is Sunshine In The Shadow" was sung. Thirty-one persons were present. The meeting dismissed by Repeating the Watchword.

Sunday A. M. 10:00 o'Clock.
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Mrs. Jefferson Indpls. Chairman and Mrs. Elizabeth Henburn Richmond Secy. with the Condolence Com. conducted the Memorial Service. Solo, "Nearer My God To Thee" was rendred by Mrs. Effie Bass, Richmond. The Secy. read the names of the deceased and as each was called a short eulogy was made by those who knew them. The Chairman placed a white flower in the vase after each eulogy. These were followed by a solo "Face To Face" sung by Mrs. Snorden, Indpls.

The report was adopted by a standing vote and the Committee was dismissed. Mrs. Effie Bass was appointed to take charge of the flowers and bring them back next year.

This closed the Conventions part of the service.

All Evangelists and visiting Ministers were invited to the rostrum and the Convention worshiped with the local Church.

Music was furnished by the Junior Choir of Allen Chapel. Lords Prayer Chant and "I Was Glad" were repeated in unison.

"Oh For A Thousand Tongues" by the Choir and Congregation was followed with prayer by Sistel Mc Cullough. "O God Our Help In Ages Past" was sung, followed by Scripture Lesson from Sister De Jernet, Wash., who read 26 Ps. The Decalogue was repeated. The Pres. announced that Amanda Mason will appeal for her work this afternoon. She asked a large attendance for her. She said each Society should make an appropriation for Amanda Mason. The Conf. Branch will give her $100.00 Scholarship and each Society is asked to take a part of that as their special work. Amanda Mason is teaching in Africa and we will help support her work.

All Executive Offices and Dept. Chairmen were requested to meet in the Lecture Room as soon as the service is over.

"In Thy Cleft" was sung. Sermon was preached by Rev. C. P. Smith. Text - 126 Ps., 6 verse. "He that goeth forth weeping with precious seed, shall come again rejoicing." Subject, "The Weeping Sower." "Haven Of Rest" was sung.

Prayer was offered by Mr. Dix Terre Haute.

Invitation was extended by Sister Nichols, Indpls.

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"More Love To Thee" was sung for the invitation. The Delegates Collection was taken by Mrs. Rickford and Mrs. Gibson. It was $12.00 and was present to Rev. and Mrs. Smith on behalf of the State Offices and Delegates of the Convention.

Dismissed. Benediction by Sister C. P. Smith, Terre Haute.

Executive Board Meeting, 12:45 P.M.

The Pres. appointed Mrs. Shannon, Indpls. as Chairman of the Educational Dept. She explained that literature for the "Drive" will be sent. State Funds Custodian. Mrs. Hill will look after Hastings Banda. Chairmen of Depts. are requested to get in touch with local Societies immediately after the Convention. A receipt will be sent for the Drive Money which will be brought to the Convention.

Mothers Dept. - Get mothers together. Have entertainment and send money to Chairman at once. Art Dept. Raise funds for art. Coöperate with any plan the Chairman puts foward.

She requested that notices sent to the Societies should be read to them in the meeting.

It is probable that the new Bishop will be welcomed at the next Convention. Friday will be Missionary Day at the Annual Conference.

Mrs. White, 2nd. Vice Pres., will make a tour of the Southern District Societies, Princeton, Evansville, Mt. Vernon, and bring her bill to the Convention. She is to explain the Drive to them as they had no Delegates to take it back to them.

Mrs. Snoden will organize the Y.P. into a State Chorus. A drive will be made to bring Y.P. to the Convention, especially those near Noblesville. Each Society is asked to send ten or more children for the Chorus. Take a membership drive with your money drive.

The Pres. thanked the Board for its support this year. She urged them to put the right women in office.

Mrs. Shannon is Chairman of Program Com.

Board Members will meet once a year.

Send pledge money and Drive money to the Treasurer.

Education - Mrs. Shannon will write Seals about education after the Drive.

Int- Mrs. Bailey announced the Art Contest will be continued for three weeks. Mrs. Heinz, Mite Box Chair. and Mrs. Gibson, Chair. 5 Mothers spoke for their Depts.

Meeting adjourned for Lunch.

Sunday Afternoon Session.

Devotionals were conducted by the Y. P. Department with Mrs. Snorden & Bailey leaders. "Have Thine Own Way" was sung, followed by Scripture Lesson by Mrs. King, Lebanon. Paper, "Peace" was read by Miss Lindsey, Marion. Y. P. were called to the Choir Stand. The meeting was turned over to the State President.

"Stand Up For Jesus" was the opening song. The Pres. introduced Prof. C. T. Hyte, who addressed the Convention upon the subject of "Peace".

Mrs. Crump, Indpls, took leave of the Convention. Solos were rendered by little Miss Barber of Kokomo and Miss Lindsey, Marion.

The Pres. introduced Miss Amanda Mason, Serra Leone West Africa, a returned Missionary and a graduate of Wilberforce, Ohio. The Convention stood and sang, "Rescue The Perishing" after which Miss Mason made her address.

She mentioned that Mrs. Hill had sent her money to buy shoes for her Commencement and had helped her ever since.

She talked upon "African Womanhood" and Africa in general. Had more Colored people gone to Africa after the Civil War, they would have had enough civilization to have contended and Africa would not now be in the hands of white people.

While Africa is very rich, our group is very poor. They can only work in the mines and cannot ship ivory, but must sell it to the white man who pays very little of its real value for it. Home and foreign work. The people here have everything but there they have nothing. We are responsible for those less civilized than we are. African womanhood is way down the ladder of progress. Millions who are uncivilized must be lifted up. Heathen men think they are first. The women carry the loads crossing creeks, climbing hills. The walk behind while the men walk in front. African woman is looked down upon. She

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eats the crust left in the pot. Civlized women are asserting their rights, but they must also try to lift others less fortunate up to their level. The best way to bring about change is to get the children in school. So for six years she has been trying to teach them. Many shirts have to be made for the heathen — for when an African man or boy has a shirt he is dressed. Travel in Africa is very primitive — there are no modern conveniences for travel. The need for everything is great. Children come naked to school to be taught. They sleep upon the bare ground. More should be interested in foreign missions. Mother Handy mentioned that the Missionary Society has Miss Mason's sister in Wilberforce. She has been there three years and will graduate next week. These students are educated here and go back to carry the light of civilization to Africa. Many of us cannot go to Africa but we can support those who can go.

Mrs. Snorden and Mrs. Bailey took the offering for Miss Mason which amounted to $26.41. After the collection, pledges were made for the support of the work.

Miss Mason had some folders telling of her work which she sold for 10¢ each.

Mr. & Mrs. Hyte, Terre Haute ---	5.00
Mrs. Ethel Henry, Muncie -----	10.00
Mrs. Barber, Kokomo ----------	15.00
Miss Lindsey, Marion ----------	10.00
Spruce St., Terre Haute -------	5.00
Lafayette Miss Hoffman -------	5.00
Washington, Mrs DeJernet -------	5.00
Bethel, Muncie ----------	3.00
Allen Chapel, Terre Haute, -------	10.00
Mrs. C. P. Smith, Terre Haute ----	5.00
Allen Chapel, Allenites - Miss Crutcher T. H. ---	10.00
" " Loving Circle, Mrs. Clark, T. H. ----	5.00
" " Choir Guild, Mrs. Robinson, T. H. ----	5.00
Richmond	5.00
Frankfort - Y. P. ----------	5.00
Vincennes - Mrs. Cravens --	5.00

Jeffersonville --- 5.00
Frankfort Sr. --- 2.00

Total pledges $ 117.00

Miss Mason thanked the people for their liberality. She suggested that it would be fine if these pledges were renewable yearly.

The Resolution Com. made its report which was adopted by a rising vote. The Com. was thanked and dismissed.

Rev. and Mrs. Cable, Mr. Stoke and Mrs. Moore all of Terre Haute were introduced to the Convention. Mrs. Moore spoke for the group.

Y. P.s Dept. reported finance raised from the Southern District $35.77. Northern District - $112.32. Afternoon collection -- 26.90. Total for Dept. $174.99. Expenses $7.65 Balance in treasury -- $167.34

Remarks by Rev. Mcham and Mrs. Orestes Hord, The entertaining President. Remarks by Mother Handy. Announcements. Doxology. Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mitcham.

D. E. Hobbs Secy.
G. B. Hill, President.

Reports:- Nom. Com.

Terre Haute, Ind.,
June 16, 1928.

Mother Handy,
State Officers, Delegates, Members and Friends of the Ind. Branch Woman's Mite Missionary Convention, We the Nominating Com. beg leave to submit the following report:-

President --- Gertrude B. Hill
1st. Vice Pres. --- Osa Shannon
2nd. Vice Pres. --- Arnetta White
Cor. Secy. --- Katherine Samuels
Rec. Secy. --- Daisy E. Hord.
Treas. --- Sarah E. Relerford

Executive Board.

Esther Johnson	Laura Barber
Hannish Nichols	Leyda Cravens
Effie Bass	Maye Thompson
Cora Graham	Hattie Cain

Maymie Mitchem.

Parliamentarian - Dr. Ida Mae Miller, Lucille Murphy.
Statistician -- Maymie Hiatt, Millie Hoffman.
Young Peoples Dept. - Flossy Bailey.

Respectfully submitted
Arnetta White, Chairman

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Lucille Murphy, Secy.
Anna Watkins
Esther Johnson
Eunice King
Glenna Lee.

Condolence Com.

Terre Haute, Ind.
June 16, 1928.

To the Pres., Officers and Members of the 30th. Session of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society, We, the Com. on Condolence, beg leave to submit the following :-

Today we have paused just for a moment to mention and bring back memories of the dear ones who have fallen from our ranks since our last annual session. Their voices have been hushed in death and they will never answer the roll call again. They have answered the final summons. Sweet be the memories of these Indiana Missionary workers. Their good works shall ever live. We should strive to emulate all that is pure and good. We realize that these dear ones are just sleeping. We, too, must some day obey the call.

"Tho' far from out the bourne of time and space,
The flood may bear me far
I hope to meet my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar." Our Dead :-

Bethel, Indianapolis :-
Mrs. Lindsey, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Black, Mrs. Pope.
Bethel, Muncie :- Clara Ivy.
Jeffersonville :- Mrs. Emma Vertreece.
Allen Chapel, Indianapolis :- Mrs. Mary Motley.
Washington :- Mrs. Maude Bloodsaw
Franklin :- Lucille Small.
Lafayette :- Nellie Henry, Emma Silas
Terre Haute :- Olivia Washington.
Bishop Ross of the Connection.

Respectfully,
Mrs. Julia Jefferson, Chairman
" Hannah Nichols
" Ida Williams

Mrs. Lillie Lindsey
" Elizabeth Winburn
" Mary Dejernett
" Ethel Lewis.

Resolutions Com.

Terre Haute, Ind.,
June 17, 1928.

To the President, Officers and Members of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society of the Indiana Conference:—

We the committee on resolutions beg to submit the following:— Whereas the thirtieth Annual Session of the W. M. M. S. meeting at Allen Chapel, Terre Haute, Ind. has been so beautifully entertained by the Pastor, Rev. C. P. Smith and wife and the President and members of the Eva Walker Mite Missionary Society, and the good people have opened their homes for our accommodation and Whereas: Mr. John Gibbs, a trustee and general manager of Allen Chapel who has been so thoughtful in taking care of the smallest details which might have been overlooked and Whereas: The music rendered by the Y. P. and school band and other musical numbers rendered have added much to the entertainment of this Convention, and Whereas, our Convention was favored by the presence of helpful influence from visiting members and friends, in the persons of Mrs. Miller, State Pres. of the Society of the blue grass state, and Mrs. Carrie Crutup, State Pres. of Fed. Clubs of Ind., and Miss Amanda Mason, whom we would call a daughter of the Missionary Society, an outstanding example of our efforts, who has been with us in this session and our own "Mother Handy," the Natl. Pres., who brought us greetings and last but not least Mrs. Gertrude B. Hill our State Pres., we offer these resolutions to be adopted and spread upon the minutes:

Resolved: That God continue to bless them in all their efforts, and that we hold up their hands in all their work that is for the good of the cause, for His eye is on the sparrow and we know he watches us, and

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Be it further resolved that we the delegates of this convention give a rising vote of thanks to this great body for its untiring efforts.

Signed:- Mrs Mary B. Johnson, Chairman
" Mary Bryant
" Flossie Weir
" Maggie Baker
" Addie Burden
" Laura Coleman.

Committees Appointed to serve during Convention

Finance:-
Dr. Miller, Hattie Caine, Sarah Rebsford, Millie Hoffman, Vissie Evans, Helen Walden, Kathryn Samuels.

Nominations:-
Mrs Linnetta White, Lucille Murphy, Anna Watkins, Eunice King, Glenna Lee, Narcissus Holt, Esther Johnson.

Resolutions:-
Mary Johnson, Maggie Baker, Addie Burden, Laura Coleman, Flossie Weir, Mary Bryant.

Condolence:
Mrs. Julia Jefferson, Hannah Nichols, Ida Williams, Tillie Lindsey, Elizabeth Winburn, Mary Dejernet, Ellen Lewis.

Pay Roll:-
Mrs. Laura Barber, M. V. McCullough, Newell Lee, Lena Ramey, B. F. Adams, Anna Sims.

Pages:-
Juanita Watkins, Pauline Goins, Mary B. Lindsey.

Reporter for papers:
Dr. Ida Mae Miller.

Roll Call of State Officers.

Terre Haute, Ind.

	Thursday P.M.	Friday P.M.
Mrs. G. B. Hill	P	P
" Ossie Shannon	P	P
" Florence Brown	A	A
" Kathryn Samuels	P	P
" Daisy E. Ford	P	P
" Sarah E. Relerford	P	P
" Flossie Bailey	P	P
" Julia Davis	A	A
" Mamie Carlyle	P	P
" Nettie Gibson	A	P
" Leota Snorden	P	P
" Annetta White	P	P
" Tressa Heinz	P	P
" Minnie Bailey	P	P
" Ethel Henry	P	P
" Lyda Craven	A	P
" Cora Graham	P	P
" Effie Bass	P	P
" Susie Dyson	P	P
" Anna Watkins	P	P
" C. P. Smith	P	P
Dr. Ida Mae Miller	P	P
Mrs. Handy.		

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Executive Roll Call.

March 21, 1929. Indianapolis, Ind.

Pres.,	Mrs. G. B. Hill,	Indianapolis	P
1st. Vice Pres.,	" Essie Shannon,	"	P
2nd Vice Pres.,	" Annetta White,	"	P
Cor. Secy.,	" Kathryn Samuels,	"	P
Rec. Secy.,	" Daisy E. Hood	Terre Haute	P
Treas.,	" Sarah E. Kelsford	Indianapolis	P
Parliamentarian,	Dr. Ida Mae Miller,	Indianapolis	A
Statistician,	Miss Millie Hoffman,	Lafayette,	a
Y. P.	Mrs. Flossie Bailey,	Marion	P.
Ex. Board	" Effie Bast,	Richmond	P.
" "	" Nora Graham,	Indpls.,	a
" "	" Hattie Cain,	Franklin,	a
" "	" Lyda Cravens,	Washington	P
" "	" Minnie Mitchem	Terre Haute,	A
Mothers	" Nettie Gibson,	Indpls.	P.
Civics	" Ethel Henry	Muncie	P
Y. P. Chorus	" Leota Snorder	Indpls.,	P
Chaplain	Sister C. P. Smith,	Bedford Circuit	A
Art	Mrs. Minnie Bailey,	New Castle	P
Mite Boxes	" Tressa Heinz,	Indpls.	P
	" Susie Dysert,	Marion	A
	" Anna Watkins,	Lafayette	a
	" Julia Davis,	Franklin	A
	" Minnie Carlyle,	Kokomo,	A
Education S. Dist.	" Ethel Hefte,	Terre Haute	P
	" Lucille Murphy Lewis,	Indpls.	P
Education N. Dist.	" Hazel Dunnigan,	Kokomo	A.

Indianapolis, Ind.,
March 21, 1929.

The Executive Board meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Irussa Heinz, 2614 Shriver Ave. at ten o'clock.

Opening Song, "Draw Me [illegible]." Mrs. Shannon acted as accompanist for the music.

Opening remarks were made by the Pres. Mrs. Hill and by Rev. Craven, who has always been a helper and attendant at our M.M. meetings.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Craven Washington.

After singing, "I Love To Tell The Story," Mrs. Lucille Lewis read John 16:16 - for a scripture lesson. This was followed by singing "Down At The Cross."

Praise and testimonials were given by the Board.

Mrs. Cain was reported as ill as was also Mr. White.

The President explained the reasons for calling the Board Meeting. The drive - some locals had been successful and have sent in their money. Others have not been so fortunate. It was to help the women get their money for the assessment for the Missionary Convention.

There was a shortage of funds this year, but the shortage was general. This meeting is to draw us closer together. Join Christian women of Indiana to put over a program for Missions. The Board was advised to take a stand in the community for those things we believe best. Our influence means so much. Instruct Delegates that they are to sit in Convention, help make it a success and bring back a good report. Send good material to Convention that they may go back and instruct the women.

Be kind, forgiving, forbearing - more sweet - for nothing is gained by striking back.

Put women in office who support the Church, the Pastor and give of their means to support Missions and the Church.

Young People. Teach them to seek ye first the kingdom of Heaven. We do not tolerate dancing and card playing. Board members were urged to take a stand.

Mothers Dept. - Those appearing upon the Mothers Program at the Convention will not have their names appear on the State Convention program it was explained.

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Mrs. Releford was appointed to act as secretary for the Chairman of the Program Com.
Mrs. Hyte was appointed Chairman of Education Dept. for Southern District and Mrs. Dunnegan Kokomo was appointed for the Northern District. There will be a contest between the two districts and the Chairman bringing in the largest amount of money will be crowned the successful worker.
It was explained that Mothers, Circs, and Art Depts. had always brought in enough money to make up the education money given Hastings Banda. This year they were not able to do that and the Education Dept. has not functioned as in years past.
Mothers Dept. — Mrs. Gibson Chairman asked the members to take back to their locals the word that they are asked to have something on Mothers Day, second Sunday in May, Mother's Dept. first Sunday in May and Father's Day, second Sunday in June.
Mrs. Bailey appealed for more support for the Art Dept. and asked members to boost for it from now on. An art piece leftover from the last Convention is still held and if each member of the Board worked for it, the one bringing the largest amount over one dollar will be given the pet. It was decided to try the plan.
Circs — Mrs Henry plans sending dahlia seeds to the societies and asks them to plant them and sometime take the flowers to Church and explain that they are from the Missionary Garden. Each local is asked to send 25¢ to pay the cost of mailing the seeds. Beautify the parsonages. Name the Garden for the Church or for the Missionary Society.
Mite Boxes — Mrs. Heinz spoke of Mite Boxes and gave them to those who didn't have them. Bring them to the Convention.
Young People. — Mrs. Bailey, Marion, spoke of holding a young people's Conference on Thursday afternoon of the Convention week. She would have some woman to talk to them and get expressions from them. Close with a tea or something to get them

with the spirit of the meeting.

She explained that the local socities should elect their own women to take the Young Peoples work. Her qualifications are to be the same as those of the Senior body. Make it plain to the locals that that is what they are to do.

Locals may grant Delegates certificates to any of the older faithful members who want to attend the Convention and pay their own expense.

Mrs. Bailey urged that as many boys and girls as possible be brought to Noblesville on Saturday of the Convention for a big Chorus under Mrs. Snorden.

Find out the number coming and the names of the songs will be sent them. The Y. P's program will be on Saturday.

Mrs. Snorden of the Y. P's. Chorus made a plea for better music this year.

The President promised to furnish the Education Dept. with cards as soon as possible.

She explained that the Michigan and Illinois Conference Branch W. M. Societies had fallen down in their support of Hastings Banda. Indiana is the only Conf. Branch who has stood right behind him and will continue until his education is completed.

Ind. Conf. Branch has also helped the daughters of Mesdames Cheatam and Watkins this year.

Mrs. Bailey, Marion, reported that Hastings Banda is in Bloomington and his grades and deportment are such that we may well feel proud of the help we are able to give him.

Board Members were called on for any suggestions or expressions they wished to make.

The Pres. suggested that Mrs. Bailey hold her Y. P's Congress while the Executive Board is in session. Then we'll all go on a hike or something.

The Reception will be held Thursday night.

Mrs. C. F. Smith of Detroit is expected and will speak on Friday night.

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Instruct the Delegates to report to the Finance Com. as soon as they register and turn over their money. The report will be read by the Delegate at the Convention.

Mrs. Bass paid her Drive pledge of five dollars to the Treasurer. The local Society will get credit for it.

The new Constitution is now ready and will be brought to the Convention and sold at 10¢ per copy to the members.

Non-Church members may belong to the Society but may not hold office unless the are members of the C.M.E. Church.

Communications were read from Dr. Miller, Mother Handy and Mrs. Hattie Cain.

Mrs. Caine's address is 750 N. Madison St. Franklin. She is losing her eyesight. Each member was asked to write her a card or letter. The Secy. will be instructed to write her a letter and the President will write also.

In future State Officers will be known as Branch Officers.

Adjourned for lunch.

Afternoon Session 3:00 o'clock

The Program Com. made out the programs for the Convention to be held in Nobleville in June.

The colors of the Conf. Branch are purple and gold. New badges will be ordered so the new Dept. Chairmen may have badges in future.

Instruct Delegates to report finance to Finance Com. and then hand the same report to the Financial Secy. and read the report to the Convention.

The minutes of the Morning Session were read and adopted.

Mrs. Shannon was appointed to write Mrs. Dennegan of Kokomo of her appointment as Chairman of the Northern District for education.

Mrs. Minnie Bailey will send cards to the Board Members for the Art Contest at once.

The Dept. Chairman were given a list of the Northern and Southern Societies so they could get literature to them.

Mrs. White was voted a donation of five dollars. (Borrowed from the Mite Box Chairman) instead of giving flowers at the death of her husband. The Secy. was instructed to send a letter with it to her.

The following Finance Com. was appointed to serve at the Convention in Noblesville:-

Mrs. C. J. Hyte, Chairman
" Relerford
" Samuels
" Snorden
" Cravens.

The Board Members who came from out of the City will be reimbursed at the Convention.

Rev. Shannon was present. He said that at the next General Conference would turn over all missionary work to the women and elect a woman Secy. of Missions.

Mrs. Hill in her closing remarks, spoke of the beautiful spirit of coöperation existing between the Club women of Indianapolis and the Missionary Societies. She thanked the women for their support of her work.

"Blest Be The Tie" was sung and the Watchword was repeated. We adjourned to meet, God willing, in Noblesville June 13, 14, 15, 16.

Daisy E. Hoke Secy.
Gertrude B. Hill Pres.

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Certificate State officers.
June 1929.

Pres.	Mrs. G. P. Hill Indianapolis	
1st Vice Pres.	" Ora Shannon, "	
2nd " "	" Maggie Baker.	
Cor. Sec'y	" Kathryn Samuels, Indianapolis	
Rec. "	" Lula Moorman Franklin	
Treas.	" Teressa Heinz, Indianapolis	
Statistician	" Millie Hoffman Lafayette	
Parliamentarian	" Ethel Hyte, Terre-Haute	
Young P.	" Flossie Bailey Marion	
Chaplain	" Hannah Nicholson	
Ex. Board.	Mrs. Effie Bass,	Richmond
" "	" Lydia Craven,	Washington
" "	" Julia Jefferson.	
" "	" Minnie Bailey.	
" "	" Leota Snowdon	Indianapolis

Chairmen of Departments.

Mothers.	Mrs. Nettie Gibson.	Indpls.
Civics	" Ethel Henry	Muncie
Young P.C.	" Leota Snowdon	Indpls.
Art.	Miss Nevell Lee	New Castle
Young P.	" Flossie Bailey	
Mite Box.	" Mamie Mitchum.	

Education	
N. Districts	Mrs. Hazel Dugan
S. "	" Sarah Pulliford

The thirty first Session of the Indiana Conference Branch of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society met at

Mitchellsville Ind. June 13, 14, 15, 16 - 1929 at Bethel A. M. E. Church. Rev. L. Greenfield Pastor. June 14th After devotionals which were conducted by Sis. Hannah Nichols (Chaplain) Mrs. Mattie Smith Pres. Mrs. S. B. Hill announced the continued service. Owing to the absence of P. E. Rev. J. P. Q. Wallace Revs. Stoner + Craven opened our service. Song "And are we yet alive" lined by Rev. Stoner, prayer by Rev. Craven. Dec. Solo Rev. Craven. Scripture reading + Song. Pres. introduced Vice.

Presentation of Programs by 1st Vice Pres. assisted by Mmes Bailey + Samuels in distributing. Annual sermon [illegible] Rev. Black in his introduction spoke of his pleasant association with the W. M. M. Society he took for his text Matt. 10-28 "Fear not" [illegible] His wonderful sermon was instructive giving us the necessary information to be not "afraid" but to grow and reach the highest achievements. Consecration Service was conducted by Rev. Stoner. Trio Mmes. Sanders, Shannon + Samuels "[illegible] to the [illegible]" [illegible] Revs. Black, Stoner, [illegible], Craven, Chancellor, [illegible] + Jackson Conducted Holy Communion 61 Adults and 17 Children Communed. Rev. Craven prayed.

Music [illegible] Roll call of Officers and delegates [illegible]

Report of [illegible] Society [illegible]

Quiet Hour conducted by Rev. [illegible] Song "[illegible] Think [illegible] goodness to you" was very [illegible] and all with [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] Rev. [illegible] prayed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Adjourned

Mrs. S. B. Hill Pres.
[illegible] Recording Secty.

Friday Afternoon.

1st. Vice Pres. presiding – Devotions led by [illegible]

Report by Districts.

Southern District.

Bethel Indpls.
Allen Chapel.
Evansville
Allen Chapel. Terre Haute
[illegible] " "
[illegible]
New Albany
Bloomington
[illegible]
Jeffersonville
Mt. Vernon
[illegible]
Princeton.
Bedford Circuit.
[illegible]
Rockville
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Northern District

[illegible] Chapel Indpls.
St. John "
St. Paul "
Richmond
[illegible]
Bethel [illegible]
[illegible] "
[illegible]
[illegible] "
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Music' Kings highway (Paper [illegible]) [illegible]
[illegible] read by Mrs Craven should careful study [illegible]
[illegible] well discussed [illegible]
[illegible] "[illegible]" as she sang
we caught the spirit and was blessed. Paper
[illegible] was beautifully
discussed by Miss Bass, Richmond, Mrs Hyte [illegible]
& others we were [illegible] Christian Mothers [illegible]
cannot be [illegible]
Solo - Miss Bass, Richmond [illegible]
[illegible] well pleased.
Report of Mothers Department [illegible]

Miss [illegible]

Adjourn

Friday [illegible] Mrs. [illegible]
presiding. [illegible]
[illegible] Sweet hour of Prayer
[illegible]
[illegible] or the Bible
At this juncture we were [illegible] with the presence
of Mrs Christina [illegible] of the late
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Solo - Mrs Hyte
was beyond the average. Greetings from Mrs. Henry
[illegible], Bessie [illegible]
[illegible] by [illegible]
The memorial message [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]"
Mrs [illegible] Cor. Secty
- Mrs. [illegible]

[illegible] Pres.
[illegible]

Saturday June 5th. 9.30 A.M.

Devotionals [illegible] presiding.
Scripture reading. Discussion [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] of the young people [illegible]
[illegible] Chambers [illegible]
[illegible] Smith.
Paper How the church helps us to live a Christian
Music. Shine for Jesus. Mrs. Smith was
greatly impressed with our young peoples Dept.
and addressed them at this time. Mrs. [illegible] Christ
[illegible] department [illegible]
Quiet hour was reverently conducted by [illegible]
Solo - What a wonderful [illegible] by
Mrs. Lee, [illegible] suited the occasion [illegible]
[illegible] and her beautiful voice filled the
room.

Noon hour

Saturday 2 - P.M.

Devotional lit by Mrs. [illegible]
Music. [illegible]
Young [illegible]
[illegible] Mrs. [illegible]
Music.
[illegible] Miss [illegible]
Ins. Music " Henry.
Solo - [illegible] " [illegible]
What the [illegible] means to me. " Tate
Solo Pass it on " [illegible]
[illegible] Solo. " [illegible]
5 things to make our [illegible] life [illegible] good
by Mrs. Smith to the young people.
1. Be Conscious
2. " [illegible]
3. " Honest
4. " [illegible]
5. " [illegible]

[illegible]
Mrs. [illegible] Pres.

Saturday night Hastings Banks spoke on the subject [illegible] meant to [illegible] the message was very instructive and [illegible] to speak of him.

Local talent Gave Gypsy Wedding very good.

Sunday morning Sunrise prayer meeting Memorial service was very impressive.

Playette [illegible] by [illegible] was well rendered to a large appreciative audiance. The election was entered upon and the following was installed by Mrs. Smith

Mrs. G. B. Hill Pres. Indpls.
" Osa Shannon 1st. V. Pres. "
" Maggie Baker 2nd " "
" Lulla Monman Rec. Secty Franklin
" Kathryn Samuels Cor. Secty Indpls.
" Teresa Haney Treas. "
Mrs. Millie Hoffman Statistician, Lafayette
Mrs. Ethel Hite Parliamentarian Terre Haute
" Elsie Bailey Young People Marion
" Hannah [illegible] Chaplain Indpls.

After singing and listening to the Closing remarks from our President we adjourned with the [illegible] to meet in Indpls. (Bethel Church) 1930.

Lula Monman Secty
Mrs. G. B. Hill, Pres.

Reports

Pottersville, Ind.
May, 18 - 1929

Pres. State Officers, Delegates and friends of the Ind. Branch of the Woman's Mite Missionary Convention, We the Nominating Com. beg leave to submit the following report.

Pres. Mrs. G. B. Hill.
1st. Vice Pres. " Osa Shannon
2nd " " "

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Noblesville Ind.
June 16 - 1929

To the Pres. Officers Distinguished Guests and members of the 21st Annual Convention of the Ind. Branch. –

We the resolution [illegible] wish to submit the following report. We as the the Woman's Mite Missionary Society wish to thank Rev. [illegible] of the [illegible] church and the [illegible] for inviting us to the City. The cooperation of the young people Judge Hines of Hamilton County for the inspiration gained from his address of Welcome, The wonderful program and reception given us Thursday evening and the beautiful flowers to our State Pres. Mrs. G. B. Hill. We thank Mrs. Christine S. Smith of Detroit Mich. the first Vice President of the Parent Body for visiting us and the wonderful message given us. We thank the visiting ministers, Revs. Beach, Craven, [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], Smith, [illegible], [illegible], Jackson, & [illegible] and the visiting [illegible] [illegible], Mrs. [illegible], [illegible]. We thank [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and the Choir for their beautiful music. We thank Executive board for the gift given Mrs. Hill for her faithful service rendered to this society. And [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] who is being educated by this body and all who aided in any way to make this Convention a

success. We thank all those who took part through the [illegible] and on the [illegible].

Resolved that these resolutions be adopted and recorded in the minutes.

Mrs. [illegible]. Chairman
Cecelia Hearst
Ida Lee
Lula Gentry
Nevada Pate
James Lynch
Juanita [illegible]

Condolence Com.
[illegible] Ind.
June 1 [illegible]

To the Pres. officers and members of the [illegible] Society submit the following

List of the Departed.

Mss. Leah Brooks Marion
" Fern Gordon "
" Nettie Gordon "
" Thurman [illegible]
" Metilda Swigen Richmond
" Ida M. Williams Avery [illegible]
" Nannie Radcliff [illegible]
Miss Charlotte Hige [illegible]
" Sallie Haynes [illegible]
" Lessie Williams "
" Susan Drake "
" Margaret Miller "
Bishop J. Albert Johnson
Rev. [illegible] Johnson [illegible] Church Extension
Mrs. [illegible] Johnson Widow of [illegible] Johnson
[illegible]
" [illegible]

Dear Gill. Carthage

Mrs. Johnson
" Nichols.

Young Peoples Dept.
June 12 - 1927

To the Pres. Officers + members of the 81st. Convention of the Indiana Conference Branch As Secty Treas of Young Peoples Dept. I beg leave to submit the following report.

Sent to Mrs. K. Bertha Hurst	$42.00
Northern District	126.20
Southern District	14.20
Total raised during yr.	182.40
Expenses	9.25
	173.15
Sent to Mrs. Hurst	42.00
	131.15
Turned over to Finance Com.	$65.57
On hands for Mrs. Kinch.	65.58

Respectfully submitted
Flossie Bailey
Secty Treas.

$5.00 still on hand for
Amanda Mason.

Indianapolis, Ind.
June 19th 1936.

The Thirty-Eighth Session of the Indiana Conference Branch of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society convened in the city of Ind'pls. June 19, 20, and 21, at St. Paul A. M. E. Church 25th and Manlove Ave.

The meeting was open with very inspiring devotionals closed by standing in meditation, while Sweet hour of Prayer was played, by Mrs. Susie Nelson of St. John A. M E. of Ind'pls.

The State Pres. then Stated, that it was time to open. The following ministers were present at the open Revs. Watkins - Jackson - Black - Shannon and Davis.

The Convention was open by Singing "Guide me Oh thou great Jehova." Prayer by Rev. Jackson. Song "He brought me out of the miry Clay." "The Decalogue" by Rev. Watkins of Richmond. Song - "What a Fellowship" then Rev. Black presented the State Pres. to the convention Mrs. Gertrude B. Hill. Mrs. Millie Huffman unable to be present owing to her being in school. The State Pres. then appointed Mrs. Mary B. Johnson of Greater Bethel Ind'pls to fill place up to the time of the election.

The Programs were presented to the State Pres. for the convention by Mrs. Marcelite Walker of St Paul Ind'pls. It was consent that they be accepted.

Song - "I know a Great Savior." Mrs. Mamie Mitchem of St. John Ind'pls presiding, who in turn had the State Pres. Mrs. Hill to present the Guest Speaker. Mrs. J. P. L. Wallace for the Institute. she talked on Wilberforce university, stating that the purchase price was $10,000 and it being 76 yrs old, and the first Negro College in the United States many good things she stated. A rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Wallace for this wonderful message. The State Pres. then asked that all ministers that were present that were to this College to please stand. Mrs. Julia Jefferson of Gr. Bethel Ind'pls. gave some wonderful remarks, she having been a Student at this College also. Mrs. Flossie Bailey presented Mrs. Wood a White woman as guest of the convention and to be Speaker for the dinner hour for the Young People Sab. at 6. P. M. The Choir and Congregation sang "The Church is moving On". Next the Annual Sermon by Rev. H. D. Shannon.

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pastor of Allen Chapel Terre Haute. Song "He brought me out of the mirey Clay" Rev. Shamson was present-ed by the State Pres, to the convention, to deliver the annual sermon. His text was found in Isiah 54-2. Subject Enlarge thy Tents, lengthing thy cords, and Strengthing thy Stakes, A most forceful sermon, the Chanting of the Lords Prayer. Song "I am burden but I'll Go".

Next Holy Communion Rev. Black. of Allen Chapel Ind'ls in charge. after which the Lords Prayer. Song Rise and Shine" and shaking of hands, ended the morning Session.

Friday Afternoon Session.

Meeting called to order at 3' oclock. Song "Will there be any Stars in my Crown" Devotions by the Young People. Leaders: Miss. Nevada Pate Bethel Marion and Miss Lucille Smith Allen Temple Marion. Song "All Hail the Power of Jesus name". Standing in prayer by Mrs. Flossie Bailey State Supt. Sentence prayers by all present. Song "We are marching to Zion." "Theme — Leading Youth in the Way". St. John 14 chapter 1-6 read by Miss. Pate. Scripture verses were given as our favorite verses by all present. closing by singing "Abide with me". Mrs. Alexander Richmond northern district. Mrs. Lee Evansville Southern district and Mrs. Ruth Carter State Chaptin were present at the afternoon session. The State Pres. stated that if you can orginize 4 groups in your Society to do so, but no plans where cards or dancing to raise money can be accepted. next list of Committees

Finance Com,
Carrie Bell chrim.
Maggie Baker
Gertrude Williams
Addie Burden
Nevada Pate

Memorial Com.
Sarah Manuel Chrim.
Nettie Williams
Mamie Griffin
Lottie Brown
Vada Crombaugh.

Lucille Smith.
Resolution Com.
Anna Sims Chrim.
Clara Bullock
Edie Mitchell
Ester Johnson
Sallie Bush
Mary Ellen Hayes
J. Jackson

Mite Box Com.
Mrs. Walker
" Allie Cheatam
" Williams

Nominating Com
Florence Reed Chrm.

Emma Harris
Arelle Upshaw.
Ida mae Smith.
Bertha Hawkins
Ethel Henry.
Mercedes Louding
Savanah Starks.

Courtesy Com:

Charlotte Wilson
Katherine Bell
Cora Robinson
V. A. Burden
Millicent Mitchem

Pages

Daisy Perry
Camille Taylor.
Rose Mary Combs.

Eulogy Com.

Eulogy of Bishop Parks --- by Mrs. R. C. Henderson.
" " " Dr. D. A. Graham - " Mrs. Mary E. Beck.
" " " Mrs. A. E. White - - - " Mrs. Susie Dyson.

The Convention was declared open by the Pres. the Secy. call the roll of officers of the Ex board. and members of Conference branch. Echos from the Eleventh (11) Quadrennial by mrs. I. Heinz of Allen Chapel Indpls. she made a wonderful report. a few of the things she stated raised $102,618.34 and a bal left in treas $6815.50. their were 700 delegates and 800 communicants and the sermon was preached by Bishop Hurd. this report was accepted. Mrs. Sarah Manuel of Greater Bethel Indpls and Mrs. Nettie Gibson of Allen Chapel Indpls extended a vote of thanks to Mrs Heinz for her most excellent report. Reports of Delegates by Districts. After the reports of delegates. the President stressed on the Educational money urging all Socities to bring up this fund, which is very much needed cause. She also spoke of the passing of Amanda Mason. Also the finishing of Hastelg next year. she also spoke of the Children and Mothers Departments.

The Financial Secy made her report. $67. had been paid on the Missionary home, in N.Y. also the Delegate fund for the Quadrennial, $7.50 for the Southern district and $12.00 for the Northern total $19.

The Pres. asked Mrs. Heinz what she thought of the White Bol Dept. She stated that this had been quite an issue to the Convention. The Pres. stated that there

were 45 Societies and if each member would take one this would mean much. It was moved by Mrs. Sarah Manuel of Greater Bethel Indp'ls and seconded by Mrs. Mamie Mitchem of St. John Indp'ls. that we continue with the mite Boxes. Next Art. Dept. Mrs. Gertrude Dillard was asked what she thought of the Art. Dept. She thought that it should be continued. It was moved and 2nd that this Dept be continued. There was a little discussion about the pieces of Art. If the Societies bring in Art should they get Credit for the Articles that were sold question? The Pres. asked all in favor of this Dept. to stand the count was 55. Next Educational Dept. Mrs Watkins was asked what she thought of this Dept. as it meant to her. She stated that it was most wonderful and much needed. It was moved & 2nd that we continue this Dept. in the Conference Branch. Mrs Nettie Gibson was asked what she thought of the Mothers Dept. It was moved & 2nd that we continue this Dept, in the Conference Branch. Mrs Flossie Bailey spoke of the Hike and breakfast for the young folk meet at 6 o'clock at the church. She also spoke of having books from Mrs Isaac for Young people 4 in a set. for $4.00. Mrs. Bailey asked if she might select a vehicle from the Art Dept. to have a little contest among the young people. this closed the afternoon session. dismissed with the watch-word.

— Friday Evening. —

The Local Society of St. Paul gave Reception and Program. Opening with a Selection from the Choir Mrs. Shannon presented our State Pres. Mrs. L. B. Hill who gave a Wonderful Address. Solo by Mr. Jessie Irvin Welcome Address by little Miss Brown of St Paul Indp'ls in behalf of the Allen Stars. Selection by Choir. Welcome address by Mrs. Watkins in behalf of the Senior Society. Response — by little Miss Sarah Ann Johnson from Greater Bethel Indp'ls very nice program after which the State Pres. officers & delegates went to the dining room and were served.

★ No. 415 Saturday morn. —

Devotions led by the Chaplin, Mrs Ruth Carter, Hanah Nichols and Ester Johnson, with just a few present, but the Spirit was high. Convention called to order by the Pres. open in due form. The Choir singing "Take the name of Jesus with You." Mrs Flossie Bailey state Supt. of the young People had their reports. The following reported, from Northern dist. St Paul Indpls - Bethel Richmond - Bethel Marion - Bethel Muncie - Bethel Anderson - Noblesville - Cornersville - Allen Temple Marion - St. John Indpls } Southern District - Bethel Indpls - Mothers Pearls Bethel Indpls. - Evansville - Allen Chapel Terre Haute - New Albany - Franklin - ; this ended the roll. many spoke in behalf of the Younger group. Mrs Bailey spoke so beautiful on ways of entertaining the children and keeping the children + young girls working. she then held Conference with the children all delegates in the Parsonage.

The minutes of Fri morning + afternoon were read and adopted. A Missionary Paper by Mrs. Leota Snorden of Allen Chapel Indpls. Subject - "Is the Missionary Spirit Properly cultivated in our Churches". A very good paper discussed by Mrs Ada Lee Evansville - Anna Sims Terre Haute and Mrs Mamie Mitchem St. John Indpls. - Mrs Carrie Bell of Evansville in her wonderful talk left some pamplets for those who wished could have, the Subject "Gods Simple Plan of Salvation". This brought us back to our Institute by Mrs Shamon Terre Haute - Subj. Organization of the A. M. E. Church, this closed the Institute work for the Yr.

The Mite Box Committee - Mrs Marcellett Walker - chrim of St Paul, Indpls, reported $32.50 - Educational Dept Mrs. Sarah Relerford chrim Greater Bethel Indpls reported by districts northern district $41.25. - Southern District $26.61 total $67.86 expense $1.40 bal left $66.46 Consent that these reports be accepted. The Pres. had Mrs. Anna Watkins to bring forth the following visitors - Mrs. A. H. Morgan Indpls - Mrs Braden Indpls Mrs. Benson Indpls Hollins Terre Haute, - Mrs. Hattie Marshall, Mails + Mails, Mrs. Snorden all of Indpls, gave a few remarks.

The Chrim of the finance Com. Mrs Carrie Bell + Baker were asked by the Pres. to lift a collection, standing and singing "Leaning on his ever lasting Arm" $3.50 was taken up, blessed by the State Chaplin Mrs. Carter. The Pres. stated that Mrs. Bessie Thomas a Recording Secy of this group at one time, had met with an awful accident, and that $2.00 of this money be sent to her through the courtesy of this convention by Mrs. T. Davis of Allen Chapel Indpls.

Mrs Bell was asked to count out $1.00 for emergency - and the remainder turn over to the

finance Com. The Secy stated that the Topic cards could be had at 5¢ a copy asking all delegates to get same for their local Societies. This closed Sat morn. session, Dismissed with watch word for dinner.

— Saturday afternoon Session —

Convention open by the Junior Choir singing "He's the Lilie of the Valley". Prayer by the State Chaplin Mrs Carter Song "Precious Lord take my Hand". The Pres. then ask'd all the Mothers to take their seats. then the Pres presented Mrs. Nettie Gibson of Allen Chapel Indpls. chrim of the Mother's Dept. She called the following ladies Mrs Carter Terre Haute, and Mrs. R.C. Henderson + T. Heinz of Indpls and Mrs. Sarah Gibson new Albany chrim of Ceremonies. 1st selection by the Ladies Chorus of Allen Chapel Indpls Prayer by Mrs. Hanah Nichols Indpls. Song Choir, Savior let me walk with Thee". — Scripture Mrs Minnie Bailey of New Castle, 141 Psalm, Song Ladies Chorus "Take the name of Jesus with You." Welcome address by little Miss Brown in behalf of the Junior Missionary St. Paul Indpls Welcome by little Miss Crouch St. John Indpls on behalf of the mothers by little Miss Snorden Allen Chapel Indpls. on behalf of the Mothers by Daisy Perry Greater Bethel Indpls. Response by Mrs. R.C. Henderson wife of the Pastor of Greater Bethel Indpls Duette — by Booker + Taylor of St. John Indpls. — Readings by Miss Elizabeth Jones. Subj. "The Prodical Girl". Solo + Mrs. Leard Bivins, wife of Rev. Bivins of Carthage. "Little Mother of Mine". — Sermonette by Mrs Ruth Carter. State Chaplin. Text- St John 19— portion of 27 verse Subj. "Behold thy Mother." Selection by the Ladies Chorus "On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand", Offering Mrs Sims + Rutherford Indpls. Selection Ladies Chorus. "He that Believeth", Am. taken up $6.26. The oldest mother was crowned Queen by Mrs. T. Heinz, Mrs Hattie Marshall 72. but Mrs Riddle Sims was older 75 both of Greater Bethel Indpls they both were crowned Queen of mothers. The Youngest child in the Convention was presented with a gift. Little Miss Sarah Ann Johnson also of Greater Bethel Indpls 7 yrs. Mrs R.C. Henderson crowned the State Queen as Queen of the Convention. A token was given to the one ringing in the Largest Amount. Mrs Minnie Mathies of St Paul Indpls, was given a book of poems. Mrs Gibson then had a toper passed out for the 3rd anniversary of the Mothers Dept. To be brought in at our next Convention

Mrs. Addie Sims of Indpls made report from ~~W~~ Mothers Dept. Northern District $36.46 southern district $15.01 total $51.47 + $6.53 on table total $58.00 expense $1.50 Balance for treas. $56.50. [illegible] nominating Com. with Mrs. Flossie [illegible] chairman,

Pres. G. B Hill
Mrs. J. P. L. Wallace

vice Pres.
1st Mrs. Mitchem
2nd " Shannon

Cor. Secy
Katherine Samuels
Mary B. Johnson

Record. Secy
Millie Huffman retained

Treas
Tressa Heinz.

Parlimentarian
Lucille Smith

Chaplin
Ruth Carter,
Emma Harris

Young People Dept.
Flossie Bailey

Ex. Com.

The election was held by Mrs. Flossie Bailey Parliamentarian. Mrs. Mary B. Johnson, stated to the Convention that Mrs. J. P. L. Wallace was not a member of the Mary Campbell Society of Bethel, Indpls, It was moved + 2nd that Mrs. Wallace name be erased. The election resulted as follows.

Pres. G. B. Hill.
1st vice Mrs Mamie Mitchem
2nd " Mrs. Osa Shannon
Cor. Secy. Katherine Samuels
Record " Millie Huffman
Parl. Lucille Smith.
Chaplin Ruth Carter.
Y. P. Flossie Bailey
Executive Com.
Bertha Hawkins
Leota Snorden
Carrie Bell

this ended the election -

Memorial Com. Sarah Manuel Indpls Chrm, Song "Lead kindly Light" The secy called the names of the Deceased, Bishop Henry Blanton Parks, by Mrs. R. C. Henderson, Dr. David A. Graham by Mrs Mary E. Beck - Mrs. A. E. White, by Mrs Susie Dyson, - others Bethel Muncie Mary Baker - Martha Ross - Mozella Campbell - Mary Jackson, - Franklin Ind Mrs Clark - Armstrong - Rebecca Griffin, and Ada Emanuel, - ~~Marion~~ Connorsville Ind. Hallie Rowan - Mrs Minnie Fox Richmond and Mrs Dora Banks + Zella D. Johnson Bethel Marion closing song, by Mrs Ada Lee Evansville Ind. "Going Home", Prayer by the Pres. this service was very impressive, this report was

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